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1 **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**

2 **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2013, ON PAGE 92]**

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6 **SUP. KNABE, CHAIR PRO-TEM:** ALL RIGHT. GOOD MORNING. IF YOU
7 WILL ALL PLEASE RISE, WE ARE GOING TO BE LED IN OUR INVOCATION
8 THIS MORNING BY GLENN DUNCAN, PRESIDENT AND C.E.O. OF
9 SOUTHLANDS CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS AND OUR PLEDGE
10 WILL BE LED BY ANTONIOJUAN RANDLE-GARCIA, MEMBER POST NO. 43,
11 LOS ANGELES, THE AMERICAN LEGION. GLENN?

12

13 **GLENN DUNCAN:** PLEASE BOW YOUR HEADS WITH ME. FATHER, WE THANK
14 YOU FOR THIS DAY. YOUR WORD SAYS THIS IS A DAY THAT YOU HAVE
15 MADE, WE WILL REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT. WE ASK FOR YOUR
16 BLESSING ON THIS DAY. FATHER, WE ASK YOUR BLESSING UPON OUR
17 CITIES THAT ARE REPRESENTED HERE. WE ASK FOR YOUR PROTECTION
18 OVER THEM. WE ASK FOR YOUR PROVISION OVER THEM. WE ASK YOU FOR
19 YOUR BLESSING UPON THE FAMILIES THAT ARE REPRESENTED IN THOSE
20 CITIES AND IN THOSE COMMUNITIES. FATHER, I SPECIFICALLY PRAY
21 FOR OUR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I THANK YOU FOR THE SERVICE THAT
22 THEY GIVE. I ASK YOUR BLESSING OVER THEIR LIVES. I ASK TODAY,
23 LORD, THAT YOU WOULD GIVE THEM GREAT WISDOM, GREAT
24 DISCERNMENT, GREAT INSIGHT. FATHER, THEY WILL HANDLE COMPLEX
25 PROBLEMS. WE LIVE IN A COMPLEX WORLD. LORD, LET THEM MAKE THE



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1 RIGHT DECISIONS. WE DO NOT WANT MERELY WHAT MAN CAN PRODUCE;
2 WE WANT WHAT YOU CAN PRODUCE THROUGH US, SO LET THEIR
3 DECISIONS BE GOD ORDAINED. YOUR WORD SAYS THAT ALL AUTHORITY
4 COMES FROM YOU, SO WE RECEIVE THAT. I THANK YOU FOR THEIR
5 PUBLIC SERVICE. AND, LORD, I GO BEYOND WHAT THEY'LL DO IN THIS
6 ROOM TODAY, I GO AND I TOUCH THEIR FAMILIES IN PRAYER; BLESS
7 THEM. BLESS THEIR MARRIAGES, BLESS THEIR KIDS. LET EVERYTHING
8 THEY TOUCH PROSPER. WE COMMIT THIS TIME TO YOU. WE COMMIT THIS
9 ENTIRE MEETING TO YOU. WE LAY IT AT YOUR FEET. AND WE ASK THIS
10 IN YOUR POWERFUL NAME, AMEN.

11

12 **ANTONIOJUAN RANDLE-GARCIA:** PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR
13 HEART. IF YOU'RE A VETERAN, YOU MAY SALUTE IF YOU FEEL THAT
14 YOU WANT TO. REPEAT AFTER ME. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S MY PLEASURE TO PRESENT A CERTIFICATE OF
17 APPRECIATION TO GLENN DUNCAN. HE HAS BEEN AN ACTIVE CHURCH
18 LEADER AS A PASTOR AND INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER SINCE 1987. HIS
19 PASTORAL EXPERIENCE HAS ALLOWED HIM THE OPPORTUNITY TO TOUCH
20 THE LIVES OF MEN AND WOMEN ALL OVER THE WORLD WITH THE GOSPEL.
21 IN 2004, HE BECAME SUPERINTENDENT OF THE SOUTHLANDS SCHOOLS
22 INTERNATIONAL. FOR THE PAST NINE YEARS, HE HAS FAITHFULLY
23 SERVED THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS COMMUNITY WITH QUALITY EDUCATION
24 FROM PRESCHOOL TO 12TH GRADE. HE HAS LED THE SOUTHLANDS
25 CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS INTO AN EXTREMELY PERIOD OF DYNAMIC GROWTH



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1 IN STUDENT ENROLLMENT, OPERATING REVENUES AND NEW INNOVATIVE
2 WAYS OF EDUCATING STUDENTS. UNDER HIS LEADERSHIP, SOUTHLANDS
3 HAS DEVELOPED A FULLY-ACCREDITED ONLINE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM
4 THAT ALLOWS THE SCHOOL TO EDUCATE STUDENTS GLOBALLY. HE
5 RESIDES IN WALNUT WITH HIS WIFE HOLLY AND THEIR TWO CHILDREN.
6 SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES, WE'D LIKE TO THANK
7 HIM FOR TAKING TIME OUT OF HIS BUSY SCHEDULE TO LEAD US IN THE
8 INVOCATION. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE WERE LED IN THE
11 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING BY ANTONIOJUAN RANDLE-
12 GARCIA, RESIDENT OF PACOIMA IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. HE IS
13 REPRESENTING AMERICAN LEGION POST NO. 43. HE SERVED IN THE
14 UNITED STATES ARMY FROM 1962 TO 2010. THAT'S A 48-YEAR CAREER
15 IN THE ARMY. I THOUGHT HE WAS BORN IN 1962, BUT SERVED IN THE
16 MILITARY SINCE 1962, IT'S AMAZING, OBTAINING THE RANK OF
17 COLONEL IN THE ARMY. SERVED IN THE 101ST AIRBORNE DIVISION IN
18 THE AFGHANISTAN AND IRAQ THEATERS. EARNED A PURPLE HEART AND A
19 BRONZE STAR. HE IS NOW RETIRED AND HAS LIVED IN OUR DISTRICT
20 FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS. WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE YOU HERE THIS
21 MORNING TO LEAD US IN THE PLEDGE AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR
22 INCREDIBLE SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY. [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, LET'S BEGIN WITH THE
25 AGENDA, PLEASE.



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2 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR
3 PRO TEM, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE'LL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON
4 PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
5 THE SANITATION DISTRICT, NO. 27. ON ITEM NO. S.D.-1 THERE'S A
6 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON PAGE
7 4, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
8 COMMISSION, ITEM NO. 1-D IS BEFORE YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. SECONDED BY
11 SUPERVISOR MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
14 OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEM NO. 1-H IS BEFORE YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** THE CHAIR MOVES AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
17 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

18

19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 6 AGENDA FOR THE MEETING
20 OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEMS NO. 1-P
21 THROUGH 2-P ARE BEFORE YOU.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR
24 YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 7, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
2 ITEMS 1 THROUGH 11. ON ITEM NO. 1, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
3 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 2, THERE'S
4 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON
5 ITEM NO. 5, THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
6 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. AND ON ITEMS NO. 9 AND 11, THERE'S A
7 REQUEST FROM EITHER A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
8 THESE ITEMS. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF
9 SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** ON THE REMAINDER, MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA. THE
12 CHAIR WILL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 10, CONSENT CALENDAR,
15 ITEMS 12 THROUGH 50, ON ITEM NO. 12, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE
16 OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM TO BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
17 SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2013.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** SO ORDERED.

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21 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 13, THERE'S A REQUEST
22 FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 15,
23 SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK
24 SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2013. ON ITEM NO. 19, AS INDICATED ON THE
25 POSTED AGENDA, THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF INTERNAL SERVICES



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1 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT. ON
2 ITEM NO. 20, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM
3 BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO SEPTEMBER 24, 2013. AND ON THIS
4 ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
5 IT. ON ITEM NO. 22, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT
6 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 23, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH
7 SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO
8 SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2013. ON ITEM NO. 25, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
9 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 27, WE
10 WILL HOLD THIS ITEM FOR FOUR VOTES. ON ITEM NO. 28, THERE'S A
11 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM
12 NO. 29, WE WILL ALSO HOLD THIS ITEM FOR FOUR VOTES. ON ITEMS
13 NO. 31 AND 32, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM EITHER A MEMBER OR
14 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NO. 37,
15 THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD
16 THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 41, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
17 AGENDA, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED
18 ONE WEEK TO SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2013. ON ITEM NO. 43, AS INDICATED
19 ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER
20 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT.
21 43. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF
22 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NO. 44, SUPERVISOR MOLINA,
23 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
24 ITEM BE HELD. AND ON ITEM NO. 49 AND ITEM 50, THERE'S A



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1 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. THE
2 REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** WHILE NOTING THE CONTINUANCES, ANY OTHER SPECIAL
5 RECOMMENDATIONS AND THOSE ITEMS BEING HELD ON THE REMAINDER,
6 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR WILL SECOND,
7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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9 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. PAGE 29, ORDINANCES FOR
10 INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 51 THROUGH 53. ON ITEM NO. 51, THE CHIEF
11 EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE
12 WEEK TO SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2013.

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** SO ORDERED.

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16 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. 52, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
17 THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO
18 SEPTEMBER 24, 2013. AND ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
19 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THE ITEM. ON ITEM NO. 53, I'LL
20 READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE
21 FOR INTRODUCTION ADDING CHAPTERS 19, 21 AND 23 TO THE LOS
22 ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT CODE RELATING TO RULES
23 AND REGULATIONS APPLICABLE TO THE USE OF AND THE DISCHARGE OF
24 STORM WATER AND OTHER FLOWS TO THE PROPERTIES AND FACILITIES
25 OF THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE CODE INCLUDING



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1 ADMINISTRATIVE FINES AND OTHER REMEDIES FOR VIOLATIONS
2 THEREOF. ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
3 PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEMS NO. 54. AND AGAIN
4 ON THIS ITEM, I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD.
5 THIS IS A RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE THE ISSUANCE OF A SHORT-
6 TERM BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
7 \$50,500,000 TO FINANCE THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS EQUIPMENT
8 NEEDS THROUGH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAPITAL ASSET LEASING
9 CORPORATION. ON IN ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE
10 PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NO. 55, WE WILL
11 HOLD FOR THE DISCUSSION. MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA
12 WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING
13 AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, ITEM 56-A IS BEFORE
14 YOU.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** MOVED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. THE CHAIR WILL
17 SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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19 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON PAGE 34, NOTICES OF CLOSED
20 SESSION, ON ITEM NO. CS-1, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
21 AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
22 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO SEPTEMBER 17TH, 2013.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** SO ORDERED.

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. CS-2, AGAIN AS
2 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
3 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK.

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** SO ORDERED.

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7 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** ON ITEM NO. CS-5, AS INDICATED ON
8 THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS
9 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK.

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** SO ORDERED.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** AND ON ITEM NO. CS-6 WHICH WAS
14 ADDED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A
15 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THAT COMPLETES THE
16 READING OF THE AGENDA. SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL
17 DISTRICT NO. 1.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** JOINING ME UP HERE FOR A VERY SPECIAL PRESENTATION
20 IS PETTY OFFICER TIFFANY APODACA, A UNITED STATES NAVY VETERAN
21 WITH OUR DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN AND MILITARY AFFAIRS, CHIEF
22 DEPUTY MICHAEL METRO, L.A. COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND OFFICER
23 RAFFI BAHADARIAN, UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS VETERAN, AND WITH
24 OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. AS WE ALL
25 CONTINUE TO REMEMBER, AS WE KNOW TOMORROW, SEPTEMBER 11TH,



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1 BACK IN 2001, THERE WAS A SERIES OF FOUR COORDINATED TERRORIST
2 ATTACKS UPON THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. THE ATTACKS
3 RESULTED IN THE DEATHS OF 2,996 INDIVIDUALS, INCLUDING 19
4 HIJACKERS AS WELL AS 2,977 VICTIMS. THE VICTIMS INCLUDED 246
5 PEOPLE ON THE FOUR PLANES FROM WHICH THERE WERE NO SURVIVORS,
6 2,606 IN NEW YORK CITY IN THE TOWERS AND ON THE GROUND, 125 AT
7 THE PENTAGON. NEARLY ALL OF THE VICTIMS WERE CIVILIANS; 55
8 MILITARY PERSONNEL WERE AMONG THOSE KILLED AT THE PENTAGON. ON
9 THAT DAY, THE NEW YORK CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT DEPLOYED 200
10 UNITS, WHICH INCLUDED HALF OF THEIR DEPARTMENT, TO THE SITE.
11 THEIR EFFORTS WERE SUPPLEMENTED BY NUMEROUS OFF-DUTY
12 FIREFIGHTERS AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS. THE NEW YORK
13 CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT SENT EMERGENCY SERVICE UNITS AND OTHER
14 POLICE PERSONNEL DEPLOYED THEIR AVIATION UNITS. ON OCTOBER 7,
15 2001, THE WAR IN AFGHANISTAN BEGAN WHEN THE UNITED STATES AND
16 BRITISH FORCES INITIATED AERIAL BOMBING CAMPAIGNS TARGETING
17 THE TALIBAN AND AL-QAEDA CAMPS, THEN LATER INVADED AFGHANISTAN
18 WITH GROUND TROOPS OF THE SPECIAL FORCES. SO, TODAY, IN
19 REFLECTION OF THAT DAY IN 2001 ON SEPTEMBER 11TH, IT IS KNOWN
20 AS A NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE. ACROSS THE
21 NATION, CITIZENS, YOUNG AND OLD, ARE ASKED TO ENGAGE IN
22 CHARITABLE SERVICE ON SEPTEMBER 11TH AS AN ANNUAL AND FORWARD-
23 LOOKING TRIBUTE TO THE 9/11 VICTIMS, SURVIVORS, AND THOSE WHO
24 ROSE UP IN SERVICE TO RESPOND TO THOSE HORRIFIC ATTACKS. TODAY
25 JOINING US IS TIFFANY APODACA WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY



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1 AND VETERAN AFFAIRS, CHIEF MICHAEL METRO, AS I SAID, WITH OUR
2 COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND OFFICER RAFFI BAHADARIAN WITH THE
3 L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. PETTY OFFICER APODACA SERVED
4 IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY. SHE PARTICIPATED WITH DISTINCTION
5 IN OPERATION IRAQ FREEDOM FROM 2003 TO 2007. SHE CURRENTLY
6 WORKS AS A VETERANS INTERN IN OUR LOS ANGELES COUNTY
7 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AND MILITARY AFFAIRS. CHIEF DEPUTY
8 METRO HAS SERVED OUR COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR
9 SOME 32 YEARS AND PROVIDES EXECUTIVE-LEVEL MANAGEMENT OVER
10 FIELD OPERATIONS, WHICH INCLUDES 170 FIRE STATIONS SERVING 58
11 CITIES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.
12 DEPUTY BAHADARIAN A VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
13 IS A 14-YEAR VETERAN DEPUTY SHERIFF AND CURRENTLY SERVES IN
14 THE DEPARTMENT'S TACTICAL PLANNING UNIT AT THE EMERGENCY
15 OPERATIONS BUREAU. WE JUST WANT TO SALUTE THEM AND ALL OF
16 THOSE AS WE REMEMBER TOMORROW. AND IN RECOGNITION OF THE
17 NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE, I'M GOING TO BE
18 PRESENTING A SCROLL TO CHIEF DEPUTY MICHAEL METRO. [APPLAUSE.]
19 WE THANK THEM ALL FOR THEIR SERVICE, AND WE REMEMBER, WE WILL
20 NEVER, EVER FORGET. [APPLAUSE.] TODAY WE ARE PLEASED TO
21 WELCOME TO THE BOARD MEETING THE HONORABLE GRIGOR
22 HOVHANNISSIAN, THE CONSUL GENERAL OF ARMENIA IN LOS ANGELES.
23 HE ARRIVED HERE IN FEBRUARY OF 2009 WHEN THE MINISTRY OF
24 FOREIGN AFFAIRS IN YEREVAN, WHERE HE WAS A MINISTERIAL ADVISER
25 TO HEAD A CONSULATE WHOSE JURISDICTION INCLUDES CALIFORNIA AND



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1 THE 13 WESTERN AND MIDWESTERN STATES INCLUDING MISSOURI AND
2 WISCONSIN. THAT'S A LONG ROAD FROM MISSOURI TO WISCONSIN. THE
3 HIGHLIGHT OF HIS TOUR HERE WAS THE VISIT OF THE PRESIDENT IN
4 2011 ON THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ARMENIAN INDEPENDENCE. THE
5 CONSUL ALSO LED OR PARTICIPATED IN NUMEROUS, NUMEROUS CULTURAL
6 EVENTS INCLUDING THE PRESENTATION OF A DOCUMENTARY OF THE
7 FAMED MUSIC COMPOSER ARAM KHACHATURIAN. OTHER EVENTS INCLUDED
8 ARMENIAN BOOTH FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER AT THE ANNUAL "LOS
9 ANGELES TIMES" FESTIVAL OF BOOKS AT U.S.C. SO ON BEHALF OF THE
10 SUPERVISOR, MY COLLEAGUES AND OUR MORE THAN 10 MILLION
11 RESIDENTS, WE WANT TO THANK THE CONSUL GENERAL FOR HIS
12 UNTIRING LEADERSHIP IN PROMOTING IMPORTANT RELATIONSHIPS
13 BETWEEN THE PEOPLE OF ARMENIA AND THE RESIDENTS OF OUR GREAT
14 COUNTY, LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE WISH HIM CONTINUED SUCCESS AS
15 HE DEPARTS TO BECOME THE FIRST RESIDENT AMBASSADOR OF ARMENIA
16 TO MEXICO. CONSUL GENERAL? [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **HON. GRIGOR HOVHANNISSIAN:** THANK YOU SO MUCH, SUPERVISOR
19 KNABE, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. DEAR FRIENDS, I THANK YOU FOR
20 THIS LAST OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK BEFORE THIS ESTEEMED CHAMBER
21 AND EXPRESS MY FEELINGS OF GRATITUDE TOWARDS PEOPLE OF THIS
22 WONDERFUL COUNTY AND OFFICIALS, VARIOUS INSTITUTIONS OF THIS
23 COUNTY THAT WE HAVE BEEN COOPERATING WITH OVER THE LAST 4-1/2
24 YEARS DURING MY TENURE AS ARMENIA'S CONSUL GENERAL. I'M
25 DEPARTING WITH A FEELING OF ACCOMPLISHMENT BECAUSE THESE YEARS



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1 WERE MARKED WITH MY CONTINUED PROGRESS AND I THINK WE MANAGED
2 TO CONTRIBUTE TO FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE RELATIONS,
3 BILATERAL RELATIONS, BETWEEN ARMENIA, CALIFORNIA AND THE
4 ARMENIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND I ALSO
5 TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK, AMONG OTHERS, THE OFFICE OF
6 PROTOCOL OF THE COUNTY THAT HAS BEEN EXTREMELY PROFESSIONAL,
7 FRIENDLY IN CREATING A WONDERFUL ENVIRONMENT FOR THE CONSULAR
8 COMMUNITY HERE AND PERSONALLY TO THANK MISS LOURDES SAAB FOR
9 ALL HER FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION EXTENDED TO US AND OTHER
10 MISSIONS HERE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND PLEASE CONVEY MY
11 GRATITUDE, AND WISHES FOR PROSPERITY, PEACE TO THE OVER 10
12 MILLION PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
13 [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** NOW IT'S MY PLEASURE TO WELCOME MR. JOHN GUTWEIN
16 TO COME UP AND JOIN ME WITH HIS WIFE. HE'S RETIRING AS THE
17 DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF OUR DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING AFTER
18 33 YEARS OF SERVICE WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. HE BEGAN
19 HIS CAREER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING AS A
20 REGIONAL PLANNING ASSISTANT IN 1980, AND ADVANCED THROUGH THE
21 RANKS TO HIS PRESENT POSITION. AS A DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF LAND
22 USE REGULATION DIVISION FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS, JOHN HAS
23 GUIDED LAND USE REGULATION EFFORTS AND HAS TIRELESSLY WORKED
24 TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR DIVERSE UNINCORPORATED
25 COMMUNITIES. WE ARE SORRY TO SEE HIM GO. HE HAS BEEN A GREAT



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1 ADVOCATE FOR ALL OF US, PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES TO OUR
2 UNINCORPORATED ISSUES AND PROBLEMS WE HAVE FROM TIME TO TIME.
3 BUT WE DO WANT TO WISH HE AND HIS WIFE A LONG, HAPPY AND
4 HEALTHY RETIREMENT. SO ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES ON THE
5 BOARD, 10 MILLION RESIDENTS AND ALL THE LIVES THAT YOU'VE
6 IMPACTED WITH YOUR PLANNING ASSISTANCE, WE WANT TO SAY A
7 HEARTFELT THANKS AND WISH YOU THE VERY, VERY BEST OF
8 RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **JOHN GUTWEIN:** I WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR THIS
11 RECOGNITION THIS MORNING AS WELL AS THE REST OF THE
12 SUPERVISORS. I WANT TO THANK THE GOOD LORD ABOVE FOR ALL THE
13 BLESSINGS IN MY LIFE. I PARTICULARLY WANT TO THANK THE
14 DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING STAFF OVER THE DECADES THAT
15 HAVE BEEN PART OF MY LIFE, MY SUPERVISORS WHICH ALLOW ME TO DO
16 MY JOB, SOME ARE HERE THIS MORNING. THANK YOU FOR COMING.
17 LASTLY I WANT TO THANK MY WIFE FOR ALL OF HER PATIENCE, TIME,
18 JUST MAKING MY LIFE WORTH LIVING IN ANOTHER DIMENSION OUTSIDE
19 OF BEING A PLANNER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** ON BEHALF OF ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING
22 DEPARTMENT, JOHN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR 33 PLUS YEARS. JOHN
23 SERVED A VARIETY OF CAPACITIES AND WORKED IN ALMOST EVERY
24 SECTION, SO HE KNOWS THE DEPARTMENT EXTREMELY WELL, AND MOST
25 RECENTLY ENDED UP AS THE HEAD OF LAND USE REGULATION DIVISION,



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1 A VERY DIFFICULT POSITION, BUT HE HANDLED IT WITH SKILL AND
2 APLOMB, AND WAS A GREAT ASSET TO THE DEPARTMENT AND WAS A TEAM
3 PLAYER DURING THE FOUR YEARS THAT I HAD THE PLEASURE OF
4 WORKING WITH HIM, SO JOHN, CONGRATULATIONS, AND HAVE A
5 HEALTHY, HAPPY AND VERY LONG RETIREMENT. THANK YOU.

6 [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. WE HAVE SEVERAL PEOPLE ON MULTIPLE
9 ITEMS. ERIC PREVEN, ARNOLD SACHS, KIRK HALLAM AND LORI MARTIN.
10 YOU'LL COME FORWARD, PLEASE.

11

12 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
13 DISTRICT 3 AND I NOTE THE CHAIR IS NOT HERE TODAY. I DON'T
14 EVEN SEE SUPERVISOR MOLINA ANY LONGER. SHE WAS HERE, AND
15 ANTONOVICH IS NOT HERE. SO WE JUST GOT TWO. BUT I THINK IT'S
16 GOOD ENOUGH FOR ME. SD-1 IS THE SANITATION DISTRICT, A SMALL
17 APPROVAL THERE. I WANT TO NOTE THAT ALL THE SUPERVISORS, EVERY
18 TIME THE SANITATION DISTRICT MEETS, GET \$125, WHICH IS
19 INTERESTING. TODAY, AT TODAY'S MEETING FOR COMPARISON, THE
20 GORDIAN GROUP, WHICH IS OUR JOB ORDER CONTRACTING FIRM, IS
21 GOING TO PULL DOWN, JUST OFF BUSINESS TODAY, OVER \$100,000 IN
22 THEIR 2 PERCENT FEE. SO THIS IS A SPECTACULAR DEAL THEY HAVE,
23 AND I'VE BEEN ASKING TO BENCHMARK THAT JOB ORDER CONTRACT. I
24 DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY SOME OF THESE JOBS ARE GOING UNDER JOB
25 ORDER CONTRACT. THEY DON'T FIT THE PROFILE OF, KIND OF,



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1 REPETITIVE WORK THAT WE WANT TO METE OUT THAT WAY LIKE SAY,
2 BARRIERS OR MEDIANS OR THINGS LIKE THAT, SO I DON'T GET IT.
3 ITEM NO. 1, WE ARE EXTENDING THE LENGTH OF SERVICE REQUIREMENT
4 FOR A D.C.F.S. GAL, ANN FRANZEN. I DON'T KNOW WHY WE KEEP
5 DOING THAT AS OPPOSED TO FRESH NEW EYES WHICH WE SAY WE NEED.
6 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY IS THROWING 1,500 ON THE PILE FOR THE
7 WEST SIDE COALITION THROUGH COMMUNITY PARTNERS. AND I JUST
8 WANT TO BENCHMARK, MAKE SURE WE ARE LOOKING CLOSE AT COMMUNITY
9 PARTNERS. THEY DO A GREAT JOB OF FILTERING MONEY FOR MANY,
10 MANY COUNTY CHARITIES INCLUDING A LOT THAT HAVE TO DO WITH THE
11 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. I JUST THINK WE SHOULD BE MONITORING
12 THAT FROM TIME TO TIME. THE ONE THAT I JUST WANT TO ADDRESS
13 QUICKLY BEFORE I RUN OUT OF TIME IS THE SENTINEL OFFENDER
14 SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR ELECTRONIC MONITORING. THERE'S TWO
15 ITEMS HAVE BOTH BEEN PULLED, I THINK, FOR THE MOMENT, 43 AND
16 44. WELL, THIS IS REALLY FRUSTRATING BECAUSE ELECTRONIC
17 MONITORING IS THE WAVE OF THE FUTURE. LAST WEEK AT THE PRESS
18 CONFERENCE THAT KNABE AND MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS HAD ABOUT GOING
19 AFTER JOHNS MORE AGGRESSIVELY. WELL WHAT WOULD BE A BETTER WAY
20 TO TRACK THAT KIND OF NOT-SO-DANGEROUS BUT CERTAINLY WRONG FOR
21 PEOPLE THAN ELECTRONIC MONITORING? AND YET HERE WE HAVE THE
22 SAME EXACT FIRM THAT HAS BEEN LYING ON THIS PROJECT FOR YEARS,
23 TELLING MS. MOLINA WE'RE GOING TO GET AN R.F.P. VERY SOON, WON
24 THE R.F.P. AFTER WHAT MUST BE 9 YEARS OF RESETTING THE SAME
25 R.F.P. IT'S JUST UNBELIEVABLE. AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND IT. I



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1 HOPE THAT THE NEW FRESH TALENT IN THIS AREA CAN COME FORWARD
2 AND BRING US A BETTER, CREDIBLE SOLUTION ON THAT. ITEM 54 AND
3 ITEM 32 AND 19 ALL HAVE TO DO WITH OUR VEHICLE FLEET. NOW THE
4 VEHICLE FLEET HERE IN L.A. COUNTY IS ROBUST, AND IT'S KIND OF
5 A SHAPESHIFTER, BECAUSE IT'S DIVIDED UP BY GROUPS. LAST WEEK,
6 WE SAW HOW FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND NONEMERGENCY VEHICLES ARE
7 BEING ADDED TO THE I.S.D. PILE. I'VE REALLY ASKED THE
8 SHERIFF'S GROUP TO SHARE THEIR INFORMATION. AND SOMEHOW, WITH
9 COUNTY COUNSEL-- AND I KNOW KRATTLI AND WEISS ARE ON THIS--
10 THEY HAVE BEEN BOGGING DOWN. THEY'RE TRYING TO CHARGE ME FOR
11 THE FEES FOR INDIVIDUALS TO GENERATE A FLEET LEDGER. NOW, IT
12 SEEMS TO ME RUNNING A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY SHOULD HAVE A
13 FLEET LEDGER. I DON'T KNOW. I MEAN, AM I OFF ON THAT? MY FINAL
14 COMMENT, I GUESS, HAS TO DO WITH ITEM NO. 15, WHICH IS RISK.
15 ONCE AGAIN, WE'VE GOT TWO FIRMS THAT ARE MAKING OVER 60
16 MILLION ON THIS PARTICULAR WORKERS' COMP CONTRACT AND YET IF
17 IT COULD--

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** TIME'S UP. THANK YOU. NEXT, MR. HALLAM?

20

21 **KIRK HALLAM:** I'M HERE ON ITEM NO. 9. MY NAME IS KIRK HALLAM
22 AND I REPRESENT JIM AND KAREN REYNOLDS WHO ARE THE BIG BEAR
23 COUPLE WHO WERE HELD CAPTIVE BY CHRISTOPHER DORNER AND WHO
24 ULTIMATELY FREED THEMSELVES TO CALL LAW ENFORCEMENT, LEADING
25 DIRECTLY TO THE APPREHENSION OF CHRISTOPHER DORNER. MY PURPOSE



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1 FOR BEING HERE IS TODAY IS PRIMARILY THANK THE BOARD FOR ITS
2 UNWAVERING SUPPORT OF THE DONATION TO THE REWARD BY THE COUNTY
3 OF LOS ANGELES. AS I'M SURE YOU ALL KNOW, THERE WAS A TIME
4 WHEN A NUMBER OF THE DONORS WERE RECONSIDERING THEIR
5 COMMITMENT TO THAT. AND TO YOUR CREDIT, THIS BOARD AND THIS
6 COUNTY STOOD BY THEIR REWARD OFFER, AND I THINK THAT WAS VERY
7 IMPORTANT TO THE PERCEPTION OF THE PUBLIC AND ITS ABILITY TO
8 TRUST LOCAL GOVERNMENT WHEN IT MAKES COMMITMENTS TO THE
9 PUBLIC. MY SECOND REASON FOR BEING HERE WAS TO ANTICIPATE THE
10 POSSIBLE APPEARANCE BY ANOTHER REWARD CLAIMANT RICK
11 HELTEBRAKE, AND HE HAS APPEARED AT THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE'S
12 BOARD HEARING ON THE REWARD TO STAKE HIS CLAIM. AND I WANTED
13 TO BE ABLE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THE BOARD MIGHT HAVE WITH
14 RESPECT TO THE EVIDENCE OR THE RECOMMENDATION BY THE THREE-
15 JUDGE PANEL OR OF THIS COUNTY'S REWARD COMMITTEE
16 RECOMMENDATION, WHICH I HAVE READ. I DEVELOPED AND PRESENTED
17 MOST OF THE EVIDENCE THAT WAS PRESENTED FIRST TO THE THREE-
18 JUDGE PANEL AND, AS WELL, TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND I
19 REPRESENT THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE IN LITIGATION THAT HAS BEEN
20 BROUGHT AGAINST A NUMBER OF THE REWARD DONORS AS WELL AS JIM
21 AND KAREN REYNOLDS BY MR. HELTEBRAKE. SO, AGAIN, I WANT TO
22 THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNWAVERING SUPPORT OF THE REWARD, AND IF
23 YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS WITH REGARD TO RECOMMENDATION OF YOUR
24 REWARD COMMITTEE OR MY CLIENTS' INVOLVEMENT IN THIS SITUATION
25 AND THEIR ENTITLEMENT, IF YOU WILL, TO THE PORTION OF THE



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1 REWARD THAT WAS RECOMMENDED BY THE REWARD COMMITTEE, I'D BE
2 MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN. I THINK WE'RE
5 OKAY.

6

7 **KIRK HALLAM:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** MS. MARTIN?

10

11 **LORI MARTIN:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LORI MARTIN I'M HERE TO
12 OPPOSE NO. 11, ITEM NO. 11, FRIENDS OUTSIDE FOR INCARCERATED
13 PARENTS PROGRAM FOR FOSTER CHILD VISITATION WITH INCARCERATED
14 PARENTS. ON 12/12/12, I HAD BEEN ORDERED TRANSPORTATION
15 FUNDING TO VISIT MY SON, AND THIS HAS NOT YET BEEN PROVIDED.
16 HOW DO WE KNOW THAT THESE CHILDREN WILL ACTUALLY GET TO SEE
17 THEIR INCARCERATED PARENTS AND THE FUNDING WON'T BE MISUSED ON
18 CHEESECAKE FACTORY TRIPS, SPA TREATMENTS, YOU KNOW? THE 2011-
19 2012 AUDIT THAT SHOWS THE MALFEASANCE OF THIS DEPARTMENT AND
20 THEIR VERY LUXURIOUS LIFESTYLES THAT THEY GET TO LIVE WHEN
21 FOSTER CHILDREN MOST LIKELY WEAR THRIFT STORE CLOTHING, EAT
22 CHEAP FOODS. AND I KNOW BECAUSE I EXPERIENCED THIS MYSELF IN
23 13 DIFFERENT PLACEMENTS. I HAVE TO TAKE THREE OF THOSE
24 PLACEMENTS OUT BECAUSE THEY WERE GOOD PLACEMENTS AND THEY
25 DIDN'T TREAT ME THAT WAY. HOWEVER, HOW IS IT APPROPRIATE FOR A



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1 CHILD TO BE VISITING SOMEONE IN JAIL UNLESS YOU'RE
2 CONDITIONING THESE CHILDREN TO BE THERE THEMSELVES LATER ON IN
3 LIFE. I HAVE TO HIGHLY OPPOSE THAT YOU FUND CHILDREN GOING TO
4 JAIL CELLS AND VISITING PARENTS. INSTEAD, WHY DON'T YOU PUT
5 THE FUNDING INTO FAMILY PRESERVATION, TREATMENT PROGRAMS WHICH
6 A.B.109 ALREADY COVERS. THERE ARE MANY ISSUES IN THIS
7 DEPARTMENT FOR THEM TO HAVE ANOTHER \$412,000 IN THEIR POCKET
8 WHEN THEY ALREADY HAVE A TRILLION? THIS IS RIDICULOUS, IT
9 TRULY IS. AND AS I STATED LAST TIME WHEN I WAS HERE AT THE
10 BOARD HEARING, I'M A JET FIGHTER, SO I MADE SURE TO WEAR MY
11 SHIRT FROM 1980 OR ABOVE, ACTUALLY, IT WAS PROBABLY AROUND
12 '84, TO LET YOU KNOW THAT I AM IMPLICATED IN LOS ANGELES A LOT
13 FURTHER THAN ANY OF YOU COULD EVER KNOW OR ACKNOWLEDGE. I WAS
14 TRAFFICKED OUT OF THIS COUNTY INTO KERN COUNTY. I REALLY DON'T
15 THINK THAT THIS IS ACCEPTABLE AT ALL. I CAN'T EVEN SEE MY OWN
16 CHILD AND I'M NOT INCARCERATED. I CAN'T SEE MY OWN CHILD
17 BECAUSE I'VE COME HERE AND SPOKEN OUT. AND, TODAY, I WILL BE
18 SPEAKING OUT ALL THE WAY TO THE UNITED KINGDOM ON A RADIO SHOW
19 TO LET THEM KNOW THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
20 HAS FAILED THE FOSTER CHILDREN OF THIS COUNTY. AND NOW THEY'RE
21 TRYING TO CONDITION THEM AND MAKE IT NORMAL TO GO TO A JAIL
22 REGULARLY TO VISIT PARENTS. PLEASE RECONSIDER THIS EXTENSION.
23 PUT THE FUNDING ELSEWHERE. WHERE IS MY TRANSPORTATION FUNDING?
24 IT WAS ORDERED BY A JUDGE, AND THIS DEPARTMENT HAS CONTEMPTED
25 ORDERS NUMEROUS TIMES JUST TO RETALIATE AGAINST ME FOR FILING



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1 A COMPLAINT ON 8/3/2012, WHICH THEY DETAINED MY SON ON
2 11/14/2012, A DAY BEFORE HIS BIRTHDAY, TO BE FURTHER
3 MALICIOUS. WONDER IF HE'LL END UP IN JAIL NEXT.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS, ARE YOU HERE? IF NOT,
6 EXECUTIVE OFFICER WOULD CALL THE ITEMS THAT NEED TO BE
7 APPROVED? THREE BOARD ITEMS.

8

9 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE BEFORE
10 YOU. ITEM SD-1 IS BEFORE YOU. ITEM NO. 1, 2, 5, 9, 11. ITEM
11 NO. 20 WILL BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS. 25 IS BEFORE YOU. 31, 32,
12 37, 43 WILL BE REFERRED BACK TO THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. 49
13 IS BEFORE YOU. 50 IS BEFORE YOU. 52 WILL BE CONTINUED TWO
14 WEEKS. 53 IS BEFORE YOU AND 54 IS BEFORE YOU. THOSE ITEMS ARE
15 BEFORE YOU.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** THOSE ARE THE ITEMS BEFORE US. THE OTHER ITEMS
18 BEING HELD FOR DISCUSSION. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA.
19 SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. WITHOUT OBJECTIONS, SO BE
20 THE ORDER.

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22 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. THE SPECIALS BEGIN WITH
23 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 1 TODAY.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS OR
2 ANY ITEMS? AND YOU'RE ALSO HOLDING ITEM 44, I BELIEVE, TOO.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN TODAY IN THE
5 MEMORY OF BERTHA MARTINEZ. SHE'S BELOVED MOTHER OF COUNTY
6 COUNSEL EMPLOYEE, MICHELLE MARTINEZ MRS. MARTINEZ WAS BORN IN
7 EL PASO, TEXAS AND MOVED TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DURING HER
8 TEEN YEARS. SHE WAS A DEVOTED WIFE, MOTHER AND GRANDMOTHER AND
9 A REMARKABLE PUBLIC SERVANT AS WELL AS A COMMUNITY ACTIVIST.
10 HER AMAZING LIFE JOURNEY INCLUDED SERVING WITH THE COUNTY'S
11 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES, VOLUNTEERING ON BEHALF
12 OF THE HOMELESS AND WOMEN IN NEED AND SERVING IN LEADERSHIP
13 ROLES IN MANY WORTHY SOCIAL SERVICE AGENCIES. THIS INCREDIBLE
14 WOMAN TOUCHED COUNTLESS LIVES AND TAUGHT HER CHILDREN AND
15 FAMILY THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY SERVICE, SELF-RELIANCE AS
16 WELL AS FAMILY UNITY. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES AND
17 PRAYERS TO MICHELLE AND HER ENTIRE FAMILY.

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT, AS WELL.

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT IS THE ONLY ADJOURNMENT THAT I HAVE.

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23 **SUP. KNABE:** YOU'RE HOLDING ITEM 44, OR DO YOU WANT TO WAIT ON
24 THAT?

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, I CAN DO IT NOW.

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3 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

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5 **SUP. MOLINA:** YES, I CAN DO IT NOW.

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL CALL UP ITEM NO. 44.

8

9 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK THEY'RE IN THE BACK.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** ARE THE DEPARTMENT FOLKS IN REGARDS TO ITEM 44,

12 ARE THEY IN THE BACK?

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** THEY'RE COMING OUT.

15

16 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE'RE GETTING THEM RIGHT NOW. THEY'RE COMING

17 OUT.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, WOULD YOU LIKE THEM TO START OR

20 YOU WANT TO START WITH YOUR QUESTIONS?

21

22 **SUP. MOLINA:** VERY FRANKLY, I THINK WE'VE ALREADY HAD A

23 DISCUSSION IN THE BACK ROOM. AS YOU KNOW, WE'VE BEEN CONCERNED

24 ABOUT THIS CONTRACT FOR A LONG TIME. AND THE WORST PART ABOUT

25 IT IS WE FINALLY GOT IT SORT OF ON TRACK AND THEN WE FIND OUT



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1 THAT THIS CONTRACT MAY BE QUESTIONABLE. BUT WE'RE MOVING
2 FORWARD ON THIS CONTRACT WITH THE ASSURANCES THAT THE
3 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS TRULY GOING TO ASSIGN SOMEONE TO TRACK
4 AND MANAGE IT IN A WAY THAT WE CAN TRUST THE INFORMATION TO
5 MAKE SURE THAT IT IS MEETING ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE
6 CONTRACT. I AM TOLD THAT IF NOT, WE HAVE A 30-DAY OPPORTUNITY
7 TO GET OUT OF THE CONTRACT IF IT'S NOT WORKING FOR US. BUT I
8 THINK THE BIGGEST ISSUE IS LIKE ANYTHING ELSE, WE HAVE MEMBERS
9 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVE CONTRACTS, SOMETIMES AS
10 MANY AS 80 IN ONE WEEK. AND OUR ASSUMPTION IS THAT OUR
11 DEPARTMENTS WERE SUPPOSED TO TRUST AND HAVE CONFIDENCE THAT
12 THEY ARE MONITORING THESE CONTRACTS AS THEY ARE MEETING THE
13 SERVICES AND GOODS NEEDED TODAY CARRY OUT THEIR BUSINESS. BUT
14 UNFORTUNATELY, ONCE YOU START ASKING THOSE ACCOUNTABILITY
15 QUESTIONS, AS USUAL EVERYBODY POINTS TO EVERYONE ELSE, AND AND
16 EVERYBODY SAYS "WELL, THAT PERSON RETIRED OR THEY'RE GONE. I'M
17 THE NEW PERSON HERE, I JUST STARTED." AND IT'S USUALLY SOME
18 LOWLY CLERK WHO JUST SENDS EMAILS TO ONE ANOTHER. SO I
19 UNDERSTAND THAT WE HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THEY'RE
20 SUPPOSED TO DO AS FAR AS ACCOUNTABILITY ON THIS CONTRACT.
21 RIGHT NOW, THEY HAVE VERY LIMITED USE OF THE CONTRACT, EVEN
22 THOUGH IT'S A SHARED CONTRACT WITH PROBATION DEPARTMENT. I
23 THINK PROBATION BETTER GET ITSELF READY FOR ACCOUNTABILITY ON
24 THIS CONTRACT. BUT THE ISSUE IS THAT IF IN FACT WE'RE GOING TO
25 EXTEND THE SENTENCES OF PEOPLE WHO REALLY NEED TO BE HELD IN



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1 OUR JAILS, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE USE OF THIS CONTRACT IN
2 A VERY LARGE WAY. AND THIS CONTRACT WILL NOT SERVE ANYONE
3 WELL, AT ALL, IF, IN FACT, WE DO NOT TRUST THAT THE COMPANY
4 THAT WE'RE BUYING THESE MONITORING SERVICES FROM ARE TRULY
5 MONITORING. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE CHILD
6 PREDATORS HAVE LEFT, HAVE GONE BACK INTO AREAS WHERE THEY'RE
7 NOT, AND THEN WE HEAR ABOUT IT A MONTH LATER. THAT IS
8 INAPPROPRIATE. SO I HAVE ASKED FOR A REPORT EVERY 30 DAYS TO
9 SEND TO MY OFFICE. I KNOW THAT MAYBE THAT IS TOO DETAILED OF
10 INFORMATION THAT WE WANT TO KNOW, BUT I JUST DON'T HAVE
11 CONFIDENCE. I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS CONTRACT FOR SEVEN
12 YEARS, AND EVERY COUPLE OF MONTHS I GET GOBBLEDYGOOK ABOUT WHY
13 IT CAN'T BE DONE, HOW IT HASN'T BEEN DONE, HOW IT'S IN THE
14 PROCESS OF GETTING DONE, HOW IT WILL BE DONE EVENTUALLY. AND
15 SO NOW WE HAVE A CONTRACT THAT WE ARE APPROVING. AND I AM
16 GOING TO ASK FOR REPORTS EVERY 30 DAYS. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING
17 YOU'D LIKE A REPORT, AS WELL. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT IT
18 COMING TO THE BOARD. BUT I WILL ACCOMMODATE HOWEVER YOU WANT
19 IT.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M CONTENT WITH 30 DAYS. I WAS JUST GOING TO ASK
22 FOR A REPORT BACK IN 90.

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** I THINK THAT REQUIRES US TO WATCH THEM LIKE
25 HAWKS, BECAUSE EVENTUALLY WE MAY HAVE AS MANY AS 1,000 OR MORE



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1 PEOPLE ON ELECTRONIC MONITORING IN ORDER TO HAVE THOSE FELONS
2 THAT REALLY DO NEED TO BE SERVING LONGER SENTENCES STAYING IN
3 OUR JAILS.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. ANY COMMENT BACK FROM THE DEPARTMENT?

6

7 **TERRI MCDONALD:** WE'RE MORE THAN WILLING TO DO REPORT BACK. WE
8 APPRECIATE VERY MUCH YOUR GUYS' WILLINGNESS TO WORK WITH US
9 AND WE'LL BE ACCOUNTABLE TO ENSURE THAT THEY'RE COMPLIANT WITH
10 THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OR WE'LL SEEK TO END THE CONTRACT.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** SO THIS ITEM IS BEING RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL
13 WITH THE AMENDMENT TO REPORT BACK EVERY 30 DAYS TO THE MEMBERS
14 OF THE BOARD. I'LL SECOND THAT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
15 THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** THANK YOU.

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19 **TERRI MCDONALD:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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21 **SUP. KNABE:** ANYTHING ELSE ON YOUR CALENDAR THERE, SUPERVISOR
22 MOLINA?

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO, I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY, ANY ADJOURNMENTS? ANY
2 ITEMS YOU HELD?

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YES, I HAVE A COUPLE OF ADJOURNING MOTIONS.
5 I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF JOHN MICHAEL ZAJEC, A
6 LONGTIME MEMBER OF THE COUNTY FAMILY WHO SERVED IN THE
7 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE SINCE 1985, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
8 OF 63. HE WAS RAISED IN VAN NUYS, WAS A NATURAL ATHLETE, AND
9 WHILE ATTENDING U.C.L.A. PLAYED VOLLEYBALL ON THREE N.C.A.A.
10 CHAMPIONSHIP WINNING TEAMS. LATER BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE
11 U.S. NATIONAL MEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM. AND PROFESSIONAL
12 VOLLEYBALL PLAYER FOR THE INTERNATIONAL VOLLEYBALL ASSOCIATION
13 BEFORE BEGINNING LAW SCHOOL AT LOYOLA UNIVERSITY. AFTER
14 BEGINNING HIS LAW CAREER AS A CIVIL LITIGATOR, HE JOINED THE
15 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WORKING IN THE MAJOR FRAUD DIVISION
16 AND MAJOR CRIMES DECISIONS WHERE HE CO-PROSECUTED THE NOTABLE
17 NINJA MURDER CASE IN 1990. HE QUICKLY ROSE THROUGH THE RANKS
18 SERVING IN SEVERAL DIFFERENT OFFICES IN VARIOUS LEADERSHIP
19 CAPACITIES. MOST RECENTLY, JOHN SERVED AS HEAD DEPUTY OF THE
20 TORRANCE BRANCH. HE REMAINED AN AVID VOLLEYBALL AFICIONADO
21 THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE AND LOVED GOLF, SKIING AND HIKING. HE IS
22 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE TERRI, A STEPSON KYLE VIGNOLI, AND TWO
23 SISTERS, MARY ZAJEC AND BARBARA KAMPORALE. WE ASK THAT WE
24 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF DAVID CANCINO, A RESIDENT OF OUR
25 COUNTY WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 55. HE WAS A



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1 SUCCESSFUL CONTRACTOR AND BUSINESSMAN WHO WAS A PIONEER IN THE
2 FIELD OF DECORATIVE CONCRETE AND EVENTUALLY LAUNCHED HIS OWN
3 BUSINESS IN THAT SPECIALTY. IN HIS LEISURE TIME, HE ENJOYED A
4 VARIETY OF OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES BUT HIS GREATEST JOY WAS
5 SPENDING TIME WITH HIS FAMILY, ESPECIALLY GRANDCHILDREN. HE IS
6 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ERMELINDA, THREE DAUGHTERS, YOLANDA,
7 ELAINE AND MELINDA, SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN, HIS MOTHER HELEN, HIS
8 SISTER ROSIE AND BROTHERS DANNY AND DENNIS. I WAS ASKED BY THE
9 OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TO READ IN HIS ADJOURNING
10 MOTIONS. I ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF GARY R.
11 CORNELL, MIKE'S APPOINTEE TO THE L.A. COUNTY COMMISSION FOR
12 OLDER ADULTS, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 79. HE ALSO SERVED
13 AS CHAIRMAN OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE'S COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANT
14 PROGRAM AND WAS PRESIDENT OF THE GLENDALE HOMEOWNERS'
15 COORDINATING COUNCIL IN 2005. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE
16 KIMBERLY AND HIS SON TROY. DONALD NEIL SMITH, LONGTIME
17 RESIDENT OF AGUA DULCE, PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 20TH AT THE AGE
18 OF 79. DONALD WAS A SERGEANT IN THE UNITED STATES MARINE
19 CORPS, LATER BECOMING A TECHNICAL WRITER FOR AMPEX CORPORATION
20 AND JET PROPULSION LABORATORY. HE WAS ALSO THE COFOUNDER OF
21 "THE AGUA DULCE-ACTON COUNTRY JOURNAL." DONALD IS SURVIVED BY
22 HIS WIFE LILLIAN, SONS ELLIOT AND CLAYTON, SISTERS SHARON,
23 MELANIE AND KATHY, AND HIS BROTHER RICHARD. HENDRYX EUGENE
24 DAVIS, JR. PASSED AWAY ON SEPTEMBER 6TH, SERVED IN THE UNITED
25 STATES ARMY DURING WORLD WAR II AND LATER GRADUATED FROM



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1 U.S.C. PHI BETA KAPPA WITH A DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS.
2 GENE WORKED FOR THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION IN 1958 AND WAS
3 APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF PURCHASING AND STORES FOR THE COUNTY OF
4 LOS ANGELES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE SANDY, AND HIS THREE
5 CHILDREN, CASSANDRA, LESLIE AND RICK. ANNA ROSE BOLDEN,
6 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, PASSED AWAY ON
7 AUGUST 28TH AT THE AGE OF 82. SHE WAS AN ACTIVE MOTHER AND
8 GRANDMOTHER AND MEMBER OF THE COMMUNITY. SHE IS SURVIVED BY
9 HER HUSBAND EDWARD AND SONS MICHAEL AND NORMAN. AND LAST IS
10 CAL WORTHINGTON, ONE OF OUR REGION'S MOST COLORFUL AND
11 SUCCESSFUL CAR DEALERS, WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 92.
12 CALVIN COOLIDGE WORTHINGTON FROM BLIGHT, OKLAHOMA, SERVED IN
13 WORLD WAR II ARMY AIR FORCES AND AT 21 BECAME A B17 PILOT. HE
14 WAS AMONG THE FIRST BOMBER PILOTS TO LEAD DAYTIME RAIDS OVER
15 BERLIN, FLYING OVER 29 MISSIONS WITH THE ARMY'S 390TH BOMBER
16 GROUP, INCLUDING RAIDS OVER HAMBURG AND FRANKFURT AND EARNED
17 THE DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS. IN 1950, WORTHINGTON BOUGHT A
18 CAR DEALERSHIP IN HUNTINGTON PARK AND BUILT A BILLION DOLLAR
19 EMPIRE STRETCHING FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TO ALASKA. WITH HIS
20 FAMOUS DOG SPOT COMMERCIALS, HE BECAME AN ICON FOR A
21 GENERATION OF TELEVISION VIEWERS. HE WAS SURVIVED BY HIS SONS
22 ROD, CAL, JR. AND COLDREN, HIS DAUGHTERS BARBARA, SUSAN AND
23 COURTNEY AND NINE GRANDCHILDREN. THAT'S IT.
24
25 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. SO ORDERED.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** ALL MEMBERS ON CAL WORTHINGTON.

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4 **SUP KNABE:** YEAH, ALL MEMBERS ON CAL WORTHINGTON. I WAS GOING
5 TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY, AS WELL, OF GENE DAVIS, A LONGTIME
6 COUNTY EMPLOYEE. PROBABLY ONE OF THE GREAT STORY TELLERS OF
7 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. JUST A GREAT GUY OVER THE YEARS AND VERY
8 ACTIVE MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY. OF COURSE, WE ALL KNOW AND
9 CARE ABOUT HIS WIFE SANDY, FORMER ASSISTANT C.E.O. AND C.E.O.
10 HERE AT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS
11 ARE WITH THE FAMILY, AND PARTICULARLY SANDY, IN THIS TIME OF
12 LOSS. AS IT RELATES TO CAL WORTHINGTON, I WAS GOING TO DO
13 THAT, AS WELL. I JUST RECENTLY INSTALLED HIS GRANDSON NICK,
14 WHO IS NOW RUNNING THE EMPIRE, AS PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTHERN
15 CALIFORNIA MOTOR CAR DEALERS' ASSOCIATION. A GREAT YOUNG KID.
16 AND JUST RECENTLY MARRIED, AS WELL, TOO. BUT CAL WAS AN ICON
17 THROUGHOUT THE BASIN. NOT ONLY THROUGHOUT. HE MADE "GOOD
18 MORNING AMERICA" NEWS THIS MORNING, AS WELL, TOO, AND OTHER
19 NEWS STORIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. SO OUR THOUGHTS AND
20 PRAYERS ARE WITH THE FAMILY. ALSO, I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN
21 MEMORY OF LEFRANCIS ARNOLD WHO PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY ON
22 SEPTEMBER 2ND AT THE YOUNG AGE OF 60. HE WAS A FORMER
23 DEFENSIVE LINEMAN FOR THE DENVER BRONCOS AND IN 1976 FOLLOWED
24 HIS MOTHER EVELYN, WHO WE ALL KNOW, INTO THE REAL ESTATE
25 BUSINESS. LEFRANCIS WAS A LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKER FOR OVER



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1 36 YEARS, SERVED ON THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF REALTORS,
2 REAL ESTATE, IN WHICH WE KNOW BETTER AS L.A.C.B.O.R.E. HE WAS
3 FIRST APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE BOARD OF NATIONAL
4 ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS FOR THE RANCHO SOUTHEAST ASSOCIATION
5 IN 2006. HE SERVED ON NUMEROUS PROFESSIONAL AND ECONOMIC
6 DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEES IN THE COMMUNITY. HE HAD INCREDIBLE
7 SMILE AND PERSONALITY. HE'S GOING TO BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW
8 HIM. SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, EVELYN, HIS WIFE SHERYL, THEIR
9 TWO SONS, JASON AND LEFRANCIS II AND TWO GRANDCHILDREN.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASE LIST ME AS A SECOND ON
12 THAT WITH THE ACKNOWLEDGMENTS TO THE LEFRANCIS ARNOLD FAMILY.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF EVELYN LONG WHO
15 PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 94. SURVIVED BY HER NIECE,
16 A VERY DEAR FRIEND OF OURS, CLAUDIA DUNN AND WILL BE TRULY
17 MISSED BY ALL. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS, MR. CHAIRMAN. I DID
18 HAVE ONE COMMENT AS IT RELATES TO-- I UNDERSTAND THAT
19 YESTERDAY THERE WERE SOME AGREEMENT ANNOUNCED IN SACRAMENTO AS
20 REGARDED THE PLANS FOR REDUCING THE STATE PRISON POPULATION.
21 MY UNDERSTANDING NOW IS THAT IT HINGES ON HOW THE FEDERAL
22 JUDGES OVERSEEING OUR OVERCROWDING SITUATION WILL REACT TO THE
23 REQUEST TO EXTEND THEIR DEADLINE TO REDUCE THE STATE PRISON
24 POPULATION. I KNOW WE'RE MONITORING THAT VERY CLOSELY BUT IT'S
25 HUGE TO US, BECAUSE IT LOOKS TO ME THAT WHETHER THE JUDGES



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1 EXTEND THE DEADLINE OR NOT, THE COUNTY IS GOING TO BE
2 SIGNIFICANTLY IMPACTED. WE WILL EITHER BE ON-THE-HOOK TO
3 DELIVER MORE COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES TO AN EVEN RISKIER
4 POPULATION OF CRIMINALS, OR WE WILL CONTINUE TO PLAY HOST TO
5 MORE STATE PRISONERS IN OUR COUNTY JAILS, OR BOTH. SO I THINK
6 THAT BOTH SCENARIOS THAT HAVE BEEN PRESENTED PRESENT
7 CONSEQUENCES FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY, AND I HOPE THAT WE AS A
8 COUNTY CONTINUE TO MONITOR THIS VERY CLOSELY AND TRY TO BE AT
9 THE TABLE AND HAVE INPUT. I HOPE THAT THE GOVERNING
10 LEGISLATURE WILL WORK WITH US TO MITIGATE THE CHALLENGES WE
11 ARE ALREADY EXPERIENCED WITH A.B.109 AND ENSURE ADEQUATE
12 FUNDING BEFORE, BEFORE ADDING MORE TO OUR PLATES. CHAIRMAN,
13 THAT'S MINE. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR
16 KNABE. I WANT TO SHARE YOUR CONCERN. AND I'M CONFIDENT THAT I
17 EXPRESS THE SENTIMENT OF THE ENTIRE BOARD AS IT RELATES TO
18 EACH OF US HAVING OPINED AS TO HOPING, PRAYING AND FIGHTING
19 THAT WE WILL NOT EXPERIENCE ANY FURTHER DOWNSIDES OF POLICY
20 DECISIONS OF THIS SORT. IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THE GOVERNOR AND
21 THE LEGISLATIVE LEADERS HAVE REACHED WHAT IS DESCRIBED AS A
22 COMPROMISE. AND THAT COMPROMISE MORE FAVORABLY AFFECTS THE
23 QUALITY OF LIFE OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
24 AND CERTAINLY LENDS US AN ASSIST IN OUR ATTEMPT TO BALANCE OUR
25 BUDGET IN A WAY THAT IS EQUITABLE TO REINFORCE THE SAFETY NET



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1 THAT WE ARE OBLIGED TO ATTEND TO. MAY I SIMPLY SUGGEST THAT WE
2 ARE CURRENTLY CONTEMPLATING AN AMICUS THAT WOULD REINFORCE THE
3 MESSAGE TO THE FEDERAL COURTS THAT WE JOIN WITH THE STATE OF
4 CALIFORNIA IN SEEKING THE APPROPRIATE AND REASONABLE RELIEF SO
5 THAT WE CAN PLAN RATHER THAN BE IN ANY WAY IN A SITUATION
6 THAT'S COMPARABLE TO A.B.109 AND/OR TO COMPOUND THAT. COUNTY
7 COUNSEL IS ABLE TO INCLUDE THE WORK THEY'VE BEEN REQUESTED TO
8 DO ON THAT FRONT. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WE'LL BRING THAT IN
9 SHORTLY AND DISPOSE OF IT ACCORDINGLY. ALL RIGHT? WE
10 APPRECIATE YOUR BRINGING THAT TO OUR ATTENTION, SUPERVISOR
11 KNABE. IT IS A CRITICALLY IMPORTANT ISSUE. MADAME EXECUTIVE
12 OFFICER?

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14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, MR.
15 CHAIRMAN. BEFORE WE GO TO YOUR ADJOURNMENTS, IF I COULD BRING
16 UP FOUR ITEMS, ITEMS 13, 27, 28 AND 29. WE WERE HOLDING FOR
17 FOUR VOTES.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IT HAS BEEN PROPERLY
20 MOVED. IF THERE ARE NO OBJECTIONS, PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS
21 VOTE. I'M PREPARED TO TAKE UP ITEM 22.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH WAS HELD. AND I WILL READ
2 IN THE FOLLOWING. IT PERTAINS TO ENSURING QUALITY END-OF-LIFE
3 CARE. "HOSPICE CARE FOCUSES ON ALLEVIATING TERMINALLY OR
4 SERIOUSLY ILL PATIENTS' PAIN WHILE PROVIDING PHYSICAL,
5 EMOTIONAL AND SPIRITUAL CARE. FOR AN INCURABLY-ILL PATIENT
6 WITH A PROGNOSIS OF SIX MONTHS OR LESS TO LIVE, HOSPICE AND
7 HOME HEALTHCARE ALLOWS THE PATIENT TO SPEND THEIR LAST MONTHS
8 AND DAYS OF LIFE COMFORTABLY AT HOME OR IN A HOME-LIKE
9 ENVIRONMENT. HOSPICE CARE PROVIDES AN END-OF- LIFE, POST-
10 DISCHARGE CARE TO SOME OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S MOST VULNERABLE
11 PATIENTS. HOSPICE CARE IMPROVES SERVICE DELIVERY BY DECREASING
12 LONG HOSPITAL STAYS AND RE-ADMISSIONS AND BY IMPROVING CARE
13 COORDINATION, PATIENT FLOW AND LONG-TERM CARE. IN L.A. COUNTY,
14 HOSPICE CARE IS PROVIDED BY INDEPENDENT AGENCIES THAT CONTRACT
15 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES. AUDITS HAVE SERVED AN
16 IMPORTANT ROLE TO MONITOR PERFORMANCE AND CONTRACT COMPLIANCE.
17 EACH REFERRING COUNTY HOSPITAL CONDUCTS ITS OWN QUALITY OF
18 CARE PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF EACH OF THE SEVEN INDEPENDENT
19 CONTRACTING HOSPICE AGENCIES WHICH SAID DEPARTMENT'S AUDIT
20 MONITOR COMPLIANCE WITH THOSE CONTRACTUAL TERMS. SO WE BELIEVE
21 THAT CENTRALIZING THE AUDIT SYSTEM AND QUALITY CARE
22 PERFORMANCE REVIEW WILL IMPROVE COORDINATION BETWEEN THE
23 D.H.S. AUDIT UNITS AND THE REFERRING HOSPITALS AND IMPROVED
24 QUALITY OF CARE ON THE EVE OF HEALTH REFORM IMPLEMENTATION.
25 ALL OF THIS TIES TOGETHER IN AN IMPORTANT WAY. THE BOTTOM LINE



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1 IS THAT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR PATIENTS ARE GETTING THE
2 BEST POSSIBLE CARE POSSIBLE. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD
3 OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES; THAT
4 IS, THE DIRECTOR, TO THE EXTENT REASONABLE AND REQUIRE THAT
5 ANY HOSPICE AGENCY MEET QUALITY OF CARE METRICS, SUCH AS THE
6 JOINT COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF HEALTHCARE ORGANIZATIONS.
7 THAT CERTIFICATION PROCESS IS WELL KNOWN AS A CONDITION OF
8 CONTRACTING WITH L.A. COUNTY WITH THE FORMAL REQUEST FOR
9 QUALIFICATIONS HAVING BEEN FINALIZED AND THEN REPORT BACK IN
10 60 DAYS ON A PROCESS THAT ENSURES ANY CONTRACT PERFORMANCE
11 AUDITS AND QUALITY REVIEWS OF HOSPICE AND HOME HEALTHCARE
12 AGENCIES ARE COORDINATED AND CENTRALIZED TO ENSURE SWIFT AND
13 ACCURATE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS ARE TAKEN WHEN ANY SUBSTANTIAL
14 PROBLEMS ARE IDENTIFIED. WE NEED A PROCESS THAT ENSURES A
15 RATIONAL AND EFFICIENT REFERRAL PROCESS. AND, FINALLY,
16 SCHEDULE OF ACTIONS THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
17 WILL TAKE TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY AND DIGNITY OF ITS END-OF-
18 LIFE PROGRAMS GIVEN ANY NEW FINANCING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE
19 THROUGH FEDERAL HEALTH REFORM." WE READ THAT IN FOR
20 CONSIDERATION AS AN AMENDMENT TO ITEM NO. 22. IF THERE ARE NO
21 OBJECTIONS, THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR KNABE SECONDS. I SEE NO
22 OBJECTIONS, THEREFORE PLEASE RECORD A UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM
23 NO. 22. THEN THERE IS A READ-IN MOTION THAT WE WISH TO
24 ESTABLISH FOR THE RECORD. AND ITEM WILL BE TAKEN UP AT OUR
25 NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING. AND THE GENERAL THEME HERE



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1 IS PROTECTING PUBLIC HEALTH IN THE CITY AND COUNTY OF LOS
2 ANGELES. "IT IS WELL DOCUMENTED THAT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
3 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, FOUNDED IN 1903, HAS PROVEN ITS
4 EFFECTIVENESS IN CONFRONTING PUBLIC HEALTH CHALLENGES, RANGING
5 FROM FOOD SAFETY TO POLIO AND H.I.V./A.I.D.S. THROUGHOUT THE
6 ENTIRE COUNTY. D.P.H.'S SUCCESSES AND WIDESPREAD PREVENTION,
7 EDUCATION AND TREATMENT ARE EMULATED REPEATEDLY IN OTHER PARTS
8 OF THE WORLD AND VALIDATED BY ONGOING RECOGNITION FROM THE
9 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. D.P.H. IS NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED BY BOTH
10 THE FEDERAL CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION AND THE
11 HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION FOR ITS QUALITY,
12 LEADING EDGE, H.I.V./A.I.D.S. AND S.T.D. PREVENTION, CARE AND
13 TREATMENT PROGRAMMING. IN 1964 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES,
14 RECOGNIZING THE REGIONAL NATURE OF PUBLIC HEALTH PROTECTION,
15 MERGED ITS PUBLIC HEALTH OPERATION WITH THE COUNTY'S EFFORTS
16 BY CONTRACTING WITH D.P.H., THAT IS THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
17 HEALTH, TO ENSURE THAT IT CONTINUES RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC
18 HEALTH SERVICES IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THIS MERGER
19 CULMINATED AFTER SEVERAL YEARS OF PLANNING BETWEEN THE CITY
20 AND THE COUNTY IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A SMOOTH, SEAMLESS
21 TRANSITION OF SERVICES AND MANAGEMENT OF A COMPLEX PROCESS
22 ENSURING THAT NO GAPS IN PUBLIC HEALTH EXISTED. THE VALID
23 INITIATIVE HAS QUALIFIED FOR THE BALLOT TO COMPEL THE COUNTY
24 AND THE CITY TO TERMINATE THOSE CONTRACTS FOR THE MANAGEMENT
25 OF PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY. THE BALLOT



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1 INITIATIVE WOULD REQUIRE THE CITY TO ESTABLISH A COMPLETELY
2 NEW PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO REPLACE THAT OF THE DEPARTMENT
3 OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN A MERE 120 DAYS. THE CITY IS HOME TO
4 APPROXIMATELY 4 MILLION OF THE COUNTY'S 10 MILLION RESIDENTS.
5 THE BALLOT INITIATIVE DEFIES THE ADMINISTRATION OF PUBLIC
6 HEALTH AS DETERMINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, WHICH HAS VOTED TO
7 OPPOSE THE BALLOT MEASURE IN MAY OF THIS YEAR. THE MAYOR OF
8 THE CITY ALSO OPPOSES THIS BALLOT INITIATIVE. THE CHIEF
9 EXECUTIVES OF BOTH THE CITY AND THE COUNTY HAVE CONCLUDED THAT
10 THE BALLOT INITIATIVE, IF PASSED, WOULD DIMINISH PUBLIC HEALTH
11 SERVICES WHILE ELEVATING COSTS TO TAXPAYERS. BOTH THE CITY AND
12 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES QUESTION THE PUBLIC HEALTH BENEFIT
13 OF THE BALLOT MEASURE. I THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF
14 SUPERVISORS JOIN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO OPPOSE THE JUNE
15 24, 2014 BALLOT INITIATIVE TO CREATE A CITY OF LOS ANGELES
16 PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND SCHEDULE A SET ITEM ON THE 24TH
17 OF SEPTEMBER BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AGENDA AT 11 O'CLOCK FOR THE
18 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO REPORT TO THE BOARD ON THE
19 IMPACTS OF PASSAGE OF THIS INITIATIVE ON PUBLIC HEALTH IN THE
20 COUNTY AND CITY OF LOS ANGELES AS WELL AS IT ITS IMPACTS ON
21 THE DEPARTMENT AS A WHOLE." I SUBMIT THAT FOR THE BOARD'S
22 CONSIDERATION. AND WE WILL PROCEED ACCORDINGLY. ALL RIGHT.
23 THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. WE'LL PROCEED ACCORDINGLY. THANK
24 YOU VERY MUCH. WHAT'S NOW BEFORE US?

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** MR. CHAIRMAN, IF YOU HAVE ANY
2 ADJOURNMENTS, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME IF YOU'D
3 LIKE TO TAKE THOSE UP. OTHERWISE, THERE IS ONE OTHER
4 ADDITIONAL ITEM, WHICH IS THE DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NO. 55.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THEN WE SHOULD PROCEED TO THE
7 SPECIAL ITEM AS I HAVE NO ADJOURNING MOTIONS AT THIS TIME.

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9 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. SO ITEM NO. 55?

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11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING, DR. KATZ.

12

13 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS. THANK
14 YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO OUR UPDATE ON HEALTH REFORM
15 CONSISTENT WITH WHAT WE'VE DECIDED TOGETHER. THE UPDATE IS A
16 DASHBOARD. SO SOME OF THE SLIDES ARE FAMILIAR BECAUSE THE IDEA
17 IS TO GIVE YOU AND THE PEOPLE WHO ARE WATCHING THIS A SENSE OF
18 THE PROGRESS WE'RE MAKING AND REALLY SEE THE DASHBOARD AS AN
19 ACCOUNTABILITY TOOL. SO I'M ONLY GOING TO TALK ABOUT THOSE
20 SLIDES WHERE THERE HAS BEEN AN UPDATE SINCE YOUR LAST
21 PRESENTATION. AND I'M HAPPY TO SAY THAT IN SEVERAL AREAS,
22 THERE HAVE BEEN IMPORTANT UPDATES. SO THIS IS TO SHOW OUR
23 CONTINUED GROWING ENROLLMENT IN HEALTHY WAY L.A. UP TO 255,000
24 PEOPLE AND TO GIVE A BIG THANK YOU TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL
25 SERVICES; THAT IS, THE RE-DETERMINATIONS. THAT'S NOT



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1 CUMULATIVE. THAT'S MONTHLY. EVERY MONTH THEY'VE BEEN ABLE TO
2 INCREASE THE NUMBER OF RE-DETERMINATIONS THEY HAVE DONE FOR
3 US, WHICH IS WHAT KEEPS THAT NUMBER GOING UP. WE HAD A BIG
4 SUCCESS WITH THE STATE SO THAT IN THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS,
5 THERE WILL BE NO RE-DETERMINATIONS NECESSARY. SO THE TOP
6 NUMBER WILL ONLY GROW TO OUR GOAL OF 300,000. I WANTED TO TELL
7 YOU FOLLOWING YOUR GUIDANCE THAT WE ARE DOING A VARIETY OF
8 EFFORTS TO INCREASE OUTREACH AND ENROLLMENTS TO GET OUR
9 NUMBERS FOR HEALTHY WAY L.A. TO OUR GOAL AND ESPECIALLY SO
10 THAT WE ARE ABLE TO MOVE PEOPLE SEAMLESSLY INTO MEDICAID. WE
11 ARE CONTACTING FORMER HEALTHY WAY L.A. MEMBERS BY MAIL WHO HAD
12 DISENROLLED IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS. WE WERE HOPING TO ENGAGE
13 GROUND WORKS, WHICH WAS AN S.E.I.U.-SPONSORED PROJECT TO DO
14 FOLLOW-UP CALLS. WE HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTING OUR HEALTHY WAY
15 L.A. PAPER MATERIALS IN ENGLISH AND SPANISH, AND THEY'RE HERE
16 IN THE PRESENTATION. WE'VE BEEN GETTING VERY GOOD RESPONSES TO
17 IT. I THINK THEY CONTAIN A LOT OF IMPORTANT INFORMATION. THEY,
18 OF COURSE, ARE IN BOTH ENGLISH AND SPANISH. AND WE'RE GOING TO
19 LOOK INTO BEING ABLE TO TRANSLATE INTO OTHER LANGUAGES, AS
20 WELL. I WANTED TO SHOW YOU SINCE OUR LAST UPDATE, WE HAVE
21 INCREASED THE NUMBER OF AMBULATORY CARE TEAMS. THESE ARE
22 PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER WITH THE OTHER STAFF WHO ARE HELPING. WE
23 ARE NOW UP TO 131 TEAMS. AND I WANT TO TAKE A MINUTE TO TELL
24 YOU A VERY HAPPY STORY. I WAS IN MY CLINIC AT ROYBAL TWO WEEKS
25 AGO, AND ONE OF THE NURSE ASSISTANTS, I SAID "HOW ARE YOU



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1 DOING"? SHE SAID "REALLY, REALLY WELL." AND I SAID "WELL
2 THAT'S GOOD TO HEAR. WHAT'S MAKING YOU SO HAPPY ?" AND SHE
3 SAID, "I PASSED THE C.M.A. TEST." AND THIS IS SOMEBODY WHO IS
4 BILINGUAL AND BICULTURAL AND HAS BEEN IN OUR SYSTEM FOR QUITE
5 A WHILE. AND SHE PASSED THE TEST THAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING AND
6 THE CURRICULUM TO BECOME A C.M.A. SO IT MEANS THAT SHE HAS NOW
7 NEW SKILLS THAT ARE PARTICULARLY USEFUL TO US, CAN DO THINGS
8 THAT A NURSE ASSISTANT CANNOT DO IN TERMS OF CHECKING IN
9 PATIENTS, CHECKING OUT PATIENTS, GIVING IMMUNIZATIONS UNDER
10 PROTOCOL, BEING ABLE TO CHECK FOR PREVENTIVE SCREENING. AND SO
11 SHE HAS NEW SKILLS, AND SHE GETS A RAISE AS PART OF THE NEW
12 SKILLS, AND WE GET TO KEEP A REALLY TERRIFIC PERSON. SO TO ME,
13 THAT'S THE BEST POSSIBLE WAY. WE ARE DOING WELL IN TERMS OF
14 RECRUITING NEW PRIMARY CARE DOCTORS, PUT A LOT OF EFFORT INTO
15 THAT, A NEW BROCHURE, AS WELL. I WANT TO STOP HERE TO SHOW YOU
16 E-CONSULT. THIS IS ANOTHER THRESHOLD ISSUE FOR US. CAN D.H.S.,
17 FOR THE FIRST TIME IN RECENT HISTORY, MATCH THE NEED FOR
18 SPECIALTY CARE? YOU'LL REMEMBER THAT IT WAS NOT UNUSUAL FOR
19 PEOPLE TO WAIT SIX MONTHS, NINE MONTHS FOR AN APPOINTMENT. AND
20 THAT STILL EXISTS IN CERTAIN AREAS WHERE WE'RE NOT YET ON E-
21 CONSULT. BUT YOU CAN SEE THAT JUST NOW, IF YOU LOOK AT THAT
22 TOP LEFT BOX IN TERMS OF ELECTRONIC CONSULTS, WHEN I WAS LAST
23 YEAR, I HAD THE THIRD QUARTER BOX, SHOWING YOU THAT WE DID
24 20,000 ELECTRONIC CONSULTATIONS. AND WE WERE ABLE TO KEEP THE
25 RESPONSE TIMES STILL LOW, TO 2.1 DAYS. AND NOW AS OF AUGUST



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1 28TH, IT'S NOT EVEN THE QUARTER, IT'S ONLY TWO OF THE THREE
2 MONTHS OF THE FOURTH QUARTER, WE ARE NOW AT 28,000 E-CONSULTS,
3 AND WE'RE STILL ABLE TO KEEP THE RESPONSE TIME TO
4 APPROXIMATELY TWO DAYS, 2.3 DAYS. SO WE ARE AIMING-- WE
5 BELIEVE THAT WELL GET TO 100,000 ELECTRONIC CONSULTS EVERY
6 QUARTER IN LOS ANGELES AND THAT THAT WILL TAKE US FAR IN TERMS
7 OF MEETING THE REQUIRED ACCESS STANDARDS FOR SPECIALTY CARE.
8 ORCHID CONTINUES TO MOVE ON PROGRESS AS DOES THE INTERNAL
9 NURSE REGISTRY. AND I'LL STOP HERE AND SAY THAT THERE'S A LOT
10 THAT'S DONE BUT A LOT MORE TO DO. I'VE APPRECIATED THE SUPPORT
11 OF THIS BOARD AND ALL OF YOUR STAFF, AND PEOPLE HAVE REALLY
12 STEPPED UP IN THE BOARD OFFICES AND OFFERED THEIR HELP AND
13 THEIR GUIDANCE AND WE GREATLY APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR
16 PRESENTATION, DR. KATZ. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, ARE THERE ANY
17 QUESTIONS FOR DR. KATZ AT THIS POINT? SUPERVISOR KNABE?
18 SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY? SUPERVISOR MOLINA? ON THE QUESTION OF
19 MEDICAL HOMES, THERE IS A RELEVANT DISCUSSION THAT CAN AND
20 SHOULD BE ENTERTAINED IN THAT REGARD. AND I GUESS THE QUESTION
21 IS: THE PROGRESS THAT IS BEING MADE WITH THE READINESS OR
22 PREPARATION FOR HEALTH REFORM OR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SUCH
23 COME JANUARY OF NEXT YEAR. YOU'VE SAID AND WE'VE LISTENED
24 CAREFULLY TO IT THAT WE NEED TO BE BETTER POSITIONED TO BE IN
25 A COMPETITIVE POSTURE, YOU MIGHT SAY. SO WE ASKED THAT



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1 QUESTION WITH RESPECT TO OUR FACILITIES, BECAUSE THAT IS
2 CERTAINLY GOING TO BE A FEATURE OF ONE'S NEW MEDICAL HOME. THE
3 KIND OF SERVICES THAT ARE CONFIGURED SO IT'S NOT JUST A
4 QUESTION OF BRICKS AND STICKS, IT'S ESSENTIALLY THE FACILITIES
5 BEING FRIENDLY ENOUGH TO ACCOMMODATE THE OBJECTIVES THAT WOULD
6 BE PURSUANT TO THE NEW ERA OF MEDICAL SERVICES OR HEALTHCARE
7 DELIVERY. SO THE QUESTION IS: WHAT IS YOUR THINKING AS TO WHAT
8 IT WOULD TAKE TO GET US THERE?

9

10 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THE FACILITIES, AS YOU KNOW, MR. CHAIR,
11 WERE ALL BUILT AT DIFFERENT TIMES WITH DIFFERENT MODELS OF
12 PRIMARY CARE, AND MOST ARE NOT IDEAL FOR THE TEAM APPROACH.
13 WHAT YOU WOULD IDEALLY WANT IS ALL MEMBERS OF THE TEAM IN A
14 POD-LIKE CONFIGURATION SO THAT THERE'S AS MUCH INTERACTION,
15 MAKE IT AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE SO THAT WHEN I'M SEEING
16 PATIENTS, IF I WANT TO SAY "CAN YOU PLEASE FILL OUT THE FORMS
17 FOR MY PATIENT TO GET HER MAMMOGRAM AND VISIT FOR A PAP
18 SMEAR?" THAT THAT'S DONE AND THE PERSON IS IDEALLY HERE.
19 HONESTLY, MOST OF OUR FACILITIES, WERE NOT BUILT THAT WAY.
20 WHAT WE HAVE BEEN USING IS OUR CONFERENCE ROOMS WHERE WE HAVE
21 HUDDLES AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SESSION SO THAT WE GO OVER
22 TOGETHER ALL OF THE PATIENTS, IF I'M THE PROVIDER, ALL THE
23 PATIENTS I'M GOING TO SEE WITH ALL THE OTHER PEOPLE SO I CAN
24 SAY TO THE MEDICAL ASSISTANTS "WHEN I SEE MRS. SO-AND-SO,
25 COULD YOU PLEASE ORDER THE MAMMOGRAM AT THAT POINT?" NOT



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1 IDEAL, BUT WE ARE MAKING IT WORK. I WILL ALWAYS BELIEVE THAT
2 THE PEOPLE IN THE HEALTH CENTER ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE
3 WALLS. THAT GREAT PEOPLE MAKE GREAT THINGS HAPPEN NO MATTER
4 WHAT THE CIRCUMSTANCES ARE. AND WE'VE SEEN REFUGEE SITUATION
5 WHERE PEOPLE IN TENTS SAVE PEOPLE'S LIVES, BUT THAT ISN'T WHAT
6 YOU ASPIRE TO. I THINK WE SHOULD CERTAINLY ASPIRE THAT ALL OF
7 O YOUR NEW FACILITIES-- AND THEY ARE BEING BUILT, THE NEW
8 ONES-- ON THE PRIMARY CARE MODEL. AND WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE
9 BOARD, I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO LOOK AT WHETHER OR NOT THERE
10 ARE THINGS THAT WOULD NOT BE TOO EXPENSIVE AND WOULD NOT
11 REQUIRE-- I WOULDN'T WANT TO PUT ANY OF OUR CENTERS OUT OF
12 WORK AT THE CURRENT TIME. I WOULDN'T WANT TO TAKE THEM OFF
13 LINE AT A TIME WE NEED CAPACITY, BUT IF THERE ARE EASY THINGS
14 THAT WE CAN DO WITH EITHER MODULAR FURNITURE OR MOVING A
15 SINGLE WALL OR OPENING UP ONE OR TWO CONFERENCE ROOMS TOGETHER
16 TO MAKE A LARGER SPACE, IT WOULD BE NICE IF WE HAD THE FREEDOM
17 TO AT LEAST LOOK AT THOSE OPTIONS.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, I THINK YOUR POINT ABOUT
20 TEAM-BASED COMMUNICATION, NOT SIMPLY AS AN ABSTRACTION, BUT
21 ESSENTIALLY AS A WAY TO HEIGHTEN CARE COORDINATION, AS SUCH,
22 IS WHAT THE ESSENCE OF THE MEDICAL HOME MODEL IS ABOUT. AND
23 SO, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I SIMPLY CALL THIS OUT AS ONE OF THE
24 AREAS OF CONCERN THAT WE NEED TO BE ATTENTIVE TO, LISTENING TO
25 THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES SO THAT WE ARE WELL



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1 POSITIONED. THE A.C.A. IS COMING QUICKLY. TREMENDOUS WORK HAS
2 BEEN DONE BY THE DEPARTMENT IN PREPARING FOR THAT. AND IT
3 WOULD BE MY VIEW THAT THIS IS A PIECE OF THAT RATHER
4 SUBSTANTIAL PUZZLE TO MAKE SURE THE COUNTY IS FULLY POSITIONED
5 TO TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE AT THAT OF THE BENEFITS OF THAT WHICH
6 IS COMING AS SOON AS JANUARY 2014. SO, ONCE AGAIN, PATIENT-
7 CENTERED MEDICAL HOMES OR MEDICAL HOMES, GENERALLY SPEAKING,
8 IS GOING TO BE A PRIMARY FEATURE OF HOW WE NEED TO DO
9 BUSINESS; THAT IS TO SAY, DO THE BUSINESS OF HIGH QUALITY
10 HEALTHCARE DELIVERY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. ON BEHALF OF
11 THE BOARD, DR. KATZ, WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION. WE
12 LOOK FORWARD TO THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED PRESENTATION ON
13 THE HEALTH REFORM FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. IF THERE'S NO
14 FURTHER DISCUSSION ON THIS ITEM, WE'LL RECEIVE-- WELL, WE HAVE
15 ONE PERSON WISHING TO BE HEARD. ARNOLD SACHS, PLEASE COME
16 FORWARD.

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18 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU.

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20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** AFTER WHICH TIME WE WILL RECEIVE
21 AND FILE THE ITEM.

22

23 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. YES,
24 WE CERTAINLY APPRECIATE YOUR GRAVE CONCERNS ABOUT QUALITY OF
25 HEALTHCARE. THIS IS COMING FROM THE COUNTY BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS WHO PUT M.L.K. IN THE TOILET. BUT THEY WERE
2 GETTING THE MONEY, \$300 MILLION A YEAR. SO YOUR QUALITY
3 HEALTHCARE CONCERNS, AND IT'S TALKED ABOUT THE PROGRAMS THAT
4 ARE GOING TO BE IN EFFECT. AND ACTUALLY, I'M REMISS. I'M A
5 LITTLE UPSET WITH MYSELF BECAUSE I DIDN'T REALLY PAY ATTENTION
6 TO THIS ITEM ON THE AGENDA. THE FOOD SERVICE, THERE'S A GROUP
7 OF FOOD SERVICE INDUSTRY PUT TOGETHER A MAGAZINE ABOUT
8 HEALTHCARE AND THE PROVISIONS. AND I DIDN'T BRING IT WITH ME.
9 SO I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS BEING ON THE AGENDA AGAIN. BUT
10 MY CONCERNS HERE, YOU TALK ABOUT THE QUALITY OF CARE, YOU
11 CLOSED DOWN CLINICS OVER THE PAST, WHAT? THREE YEARS YOU
12 CLOSED DOWN A BUNCH OF HEALTHCARE CLINICS THAT PUSHED PEOPLE
13 INTO THE EMERGENCY ROOMS. AND THE FUNDING, FUNDING TO PROVIDE
14 THIS TEAM CARE THAT'S CALLED FOR. WHERE THAT GOING TO COME
15 FROM? WHAT IS THE BUDGET FOR THIS TEAM HEALTHCARE APPROACH?
16 WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT? CAN THE PUBLIC GET AN IDEA? I KNOW
17 YOU HAD AN ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA TODAY THAT TALKED ABOUT A \$636
18 TRANSFER FOR SOME TRAFFIC SYNCHRONIZATION SIGNAL IN ONE OF THE
19 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. SO IF YOU CAN QUALIFY \$636, WHOOP-DE-DO.
20 I'M JUST WONDERING HOW MANY HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS
21 ARE YOU QUALIFYING FOR THIS HEALTHCARE AND WHEN THE PUBLIC'S
22 GOING TO GET TO FIND OUT ABOUT THIS. YOU OUGHT TO PUT THAT ON
23 YOUR AGENDA. SAVE THE \$636. IT PROBABLY COSTS YOU \$640 TO PUT
24 IT ON THE AGENDA SO YOU LOST \$4.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
2 I THINK THE FOR THE RECORD WILL REFLECT-- IT IS A MATTER OF
3 PUBLIC RECORD THAT THE INVESTMENT ON THE PART OF THE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS IN THE EXPANSION OF THE PUBLIC-PRIVATE
5 PARTNERSHIPS, SPECIFICALLY THE HEALTH CLINICS THROUGHOUT THE
6 COUNTY, HAS BEEN RATHER SUBSTANTIAL, AND WE FEEL THE PUBLIC
7 RECORD WOULD SATISFY ANY CURIOSITY IN THAT REGARD. IN ADDITION
8 TO THAT, THE NUMBER OF SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS HAS
9 QUADRUPLD IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE COUNTY. AND SO IN ADDITION
10 TO THE WORK THAT'S BEING DONE AT VARIOUS HOSPITALS, BE IT
11 L.A.U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER, WHETHER IT BE HARBOR-U.C.L.A.,
12 WHETHER IT BE RANCHO, OLIVE VIEW OR FINALLY M.L.K., ONE OF THE
13 HIGHEST PRIORITIES OF MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE AS STURDY A
14 SAFETY NET IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS MADE VERY, VERY
15 PLAIN IN TERMS OF PUBLIC HEALTH; NOT ONLY PUBLIC HEALTH BUT
16 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES ITSELF. SO TO THE EXTENT
17 THAT IT IS A QUESTION, FIND YOURSELF ON ANY ONE OF THOSE
18 CAMPUSES AND I THINK YOU'LL SEE A FULL EXAMPLE OF AN
19 INVESTMENT ON THE PART OF THIS BOARD IN PUTTING PUBLIC
20 DOLLARS, TAXPAYERS' DOLLARS AT WORK IN A VERY, VERY
21 APPROPRIATE MANNER. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE?

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT
24 NOW?

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. CALL ON BOBBY COOPER.
2 ARNOLD SACHS. IRENE PANG. ERIC PREVEN. ALAN CLAYTON. KEVIN
3 FERGUSON. LORI MARTIN.

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5 **ERIC PREVEN:** SHOULD I JUST BEGIN?

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NO, YOU SHOULD NOT. OSCAR
8 JOHNSON, DAVID JACKSON. AND, FINALLY, DENISE PAZ. THOSE ARE
9 THE NAMES THAT WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED TO BE HEARD. PLEASE STATE
10 YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD AGAIN AS WE PROCEED.

11
12 **ERIC PREVEN:** WOULD YOU LIKE FOR ME TO BEGIN, SIR.

13
14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOU MAY IF YOU WISH.

15
16 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
17 DISTRICT 3, AND THANK YOU FOR JOINING US, SIR. I WANTED TO
18 MAKE A COMMENT ABOUT ONE OF THE ITEMS TODAY, ITEM 5, WHICH WAS
19 APPROVED SWIFTLY. I THINK YOU WERE NOT YET HERE BUT IT'S YOUR
20 REQUEST TO DELAY THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 1 UNTIL OCTOBER 8TH.
21 AND I JUST THOUGHT THAT GIVEN WE HAVE A LIMITED NUMBER OF
22 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETINGS, THAT DOES SEEM LIKE A TREND
23 THAT WE DON'T WANT TO BE GOING IN THE DIRECTION OF. WHAT IT
24 DOES IS IT PILES UP ITEMS ON THE DAY THAT THE MEETING DOES
25 TAKE PLACE.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** A TREND WOULD HAVE TO BE MADE BY
3 A PATTERN. SO LET ME ASK YOU THIS QUESTION HOW MANY INSTANCES
4 CAN YOU POINT TO OVER THE PAST DECADE WHERE THERE HAS BEEN THE
5 CANCELLATION OF A BOARD MEETING? PROCEED.

6

7 **ERIC PREVEN:** WELL, I CAN'T BE. I'M NOT THAT UP ON IT. BUT
8 SEPTEMBER 11TH OF LAST YEAR THERE WAS NO BOARD MEETING, WHICH
9 CAUGHT EVERYBODY BY SURPRISE.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ONE.

12

13 **ERIC PREVEN:** THIS IS THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW.

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15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** TWO.

16

17 **ERIC PREVEN:** THAT IS A SMALL SMALL PATTERN, SIR.

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19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THERE ARE OVER 45-- THERE'S
20 NEARLY 50 BOARD MEETINGS EACH YEAR. SO YOU CITE TWO OUT OF 100
21 AND SAY TREND OR PATTERN?

22

23 **ERIC PREVEN:** SIR, I DIDN'T EXACTLY PUT ALL THE CARDS DOWN ON
24 THE TABLE AND SAY "PUT IT ALL IN, LET'S GO." ALL I DID WAS
25 NOTE THAT THIS IS A CANCELLATION OF A BOARD MEETING.



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2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SELECTIVELY, YEAH.

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4 **ERIC PREVEN:** COME ON. GIVE ME SOME TIME BACK.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOU GIVE A FALSE IMPRESSION, MR.
7 PREVEN. I'LL GIVE IT BACK TO YOU.

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9 **ERIC PREVEN:** MR. SUPERVISOR, GREAT CHAIR. YOU'LL GIVE IT BACK
10 TO ME.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YES. THAT'S WHAT I'M DOING, I'M
13 GIVING IT BACK TO YOU.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** I APPRECIATE THAT. NO, NO, BUT THAT'S NOT A
16 RESTORATION THAT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
17 ANGELES. PUT IT BACK FOR A MINUTE, SIR, SERIOUSLY. IF YOU
18 THINK THAT WE'RE GOING TO-- IS MISS HAMAI GOING TO CHUCKLE
19 INTO THE PHONE OR IS SHE GOING TO PUT A LITTLE TIME BACK?
20 THAT'S NOT FAIR.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YOU WILL CONTINUE TO SPEAK.

23

24 **ERIC PREVEN:** VERY DISAPPOINTING. ANYWAY, WHAT I WANTED TO SAY,
25 WITH GREAT SINCERITY AND VERY SERIOUS SUBJECT WAS MAYOR



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1 ANTONOVICH SET ASIDE THE PET PRESENTATION TODAY. AND THE
2 PROBLEM IS THAT I'M CONCERNED THAT NONE OF THE OTHER
3 SUPERVISORS WERE WILLING TO PARTICIPATE IN THAT PET ADOPTION.
4 AND I THINK THAT THAT SAYS-- THAT'S PAINFUL FOR A NUMBER OF
5 REASONS I WANT TO EXPLAIN.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** PAINFUL?

8

9 **ERIC PREVEN:** I WANT TO EXPLAIN THAT-- (OFF MIC. COMMENTS)--
10 WELL THAT'S COMING FROM SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. YOU'VE
11 BEEN ON THE RECORD BEFORE, SIR. THANK YOU. (OFF MIC. COMMENTS)
12 WELL WE CAN TALK ABOUT THE MATTERS AT HAND. WHAT DO YOU MEAN,
13 MR. YAROSLAVSKY? I HAVE A DOG THAT I LOVE AND I KNOW YOU
14 PROBABLY HAVE ONE OR TWO THAT YOU LOVE, TOO. WHAT'S THE
15 PROBLEM? THIS IS LOS ANGELES. [SILENCE.]

16

17 **ERIC PREVEN:** WELL I AM AN ABSOLUTELY LAW-ABIDING DOG LOVING,
18 UNCONDITIONAL--

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** YOU'RE AN UNCONDITIONAL DOG LOVER, I KNOW.

21

22 **ERIC PREVEN:** I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU'RE COMING FROM, SIR. BUT
23 THIS IS AN INTERESTING AREA. THIS IS REALLY GOING VERY WELL.
24 YOU MUST HAVE MISSED ME.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** OH YEAH.

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3 **ERIC PREVEN:** BUT I DON'T QUITE UNDERSTAND. IT'S TRUE HE DID
4 CANCEL THE PET THING, AND THERE WAS NO PET ADOPTION TODAY FOR
5 A VARIETY OF REASONS. I THINK IT WAS BECAUSE NONE OF THE OTHER
6 SUPERVISORS WANTED TO AUCTION OFF A PET. IT'S TOO BAD. I
7 THINK IT'S NOT FAIR. HE CARRIED THE FAIR LOAD OVER THE YEARS
8 ON THAT, AND ONE OF YOU COULD HAVE STEPPED UP.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY:** I THINK THERE'S A TREND HERE.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SHOULD WE CALL IT A TREND THERE?
13 GO AHEAD.

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** YOU'RE WELCOME TO CALL WHATEVER YOU LIKE, SIR WE
16 COULD TALK ABOUT THE INSPECTOR GENERAL FOR JAILS, WHICH WAS ON
17 THE AGENDA LAST WEEK. I GUESS WE'RE STILL LOOKING. IT'S ONLY
18 BEEN A YEAR SINCE THE MEETING OF THE C.C.J.V. RESULTED IN THAT
19 GREAT PROVIDE BY THIS TEAM. WE DO HAVE ANOTHER FEDERAL
20 INVESTIGATION THAT WAS ADDED TO THE PILE LAST WEEK, WHICH WAS
21 PUZZLING BECAUSE WE ALREADY HAVE AN F.B.I. INVESTIGATION. WE
22 HAVE VARIOUS OTHER INVESTIGATIONS GOING ON, AND YET I STILL
23 CAN'T GET SOME VERY STRAIGHT ANSWERS, AND I GUESS THAT'S
24 BECAUSE I'M SICK, AS SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REFERRED TO IT.
25 BUT I DO THINK THAT THE ACCOUNTABILITY PIECE DOWN HERE AT THE



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1 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, AND, SIR, YOU DID MISS THIS MORNING,
2 ITEM 43 AND 44 WAS OUR ELECTRONIC MONITORING PROGRAM. SOME
3 WOULD ARGUE THAT THAT IS A VERY CORE ITEM HERE AT THE BOARD
4 BECAUSE WE ARE FACING THIS UNBELIEVABLE PROBLEM IN OUR JAILS
5 UP AND DOWN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. AND THOUGH WE HEAR A LOT
6 OF THUMPING BOTH FROM VARIOUS TEAMS HERE AT THE BOARD OF
7 SUPERVISORS, THE DUE DILIGENCE AND SERIOUS WORK ON THESE
8 ISSUES REMAINS-- FALLS SHORT. I THINK THAT WOULD BE THE POINT
9 OF THE NEW FEDERAL INVESTIGATION. AND I THINK IF YOU LOOK AT
10 CS-6 TODAY, IT'S YET ANOTHER EXCESSIVE FORCE IN JAILS ISSUE
11 THAT'S MEETING BEHIND CLOSED DOORS, AND WE HAVE NO IDEA--

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. PLEASE TAKE
14 NOTE OF THE ACT OF RESTORATIVE JUSTICE SIR?

15

16 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** YES. MY NAME IS OSCAR. I SPEAK FOR THE
17 OPPRESSED. I SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR. I SPEAK FOR
18 CULTURE CHANGE. I LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT SO-CALLED RELIGION. I
19 LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY. BUT I KNOW IN THE
20 LAST FOUR OR FIVE YEARS DOWNTOWN SKID ROW, THE LOS ANGELES
21 POLICEMEN HAVE VEHICLE HOMICIDES AND KILLED FIVE OR SIX
22 HOMELESS BLACK MEN WITHOUT ANY ACCOUNTABILITY. NEVER BEEN
23 BROUGHT TO NO ONE ATTENTION ABOUT IT. AND I SAY DOWNTOWN SKID
24 ROW YOU FIND BLACK WOMEN AND CHILDREN SLEEPING ON THE CONCRETE
25 YEAR AFTER YEAR AND NOTHING HAVE BEEN DID. BUT ANYWAY, I'D



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1 LIKE THIS THING TO STOP WHEN WE LOOK AT THE WORLD, WE LOOK AT
2 BLACK FOLKS AS MONEY INSTEAD OF HUMANS. I LOOK AT THIS SO-
3 CALLED RELIGION AS FULL OF BLACK AMERICAN FEMALES. HERE COME
4 THOSE SINGLE, BLACK, POOR FEMALES AND HERE COME OUR MONEY
5 SEVEN DAYS A WEEK. THERE'S NOT RELIGION. AND I LOOK AT THE
6 CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT AND HOW THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT BEGAN.
7 YOU FIND THAT THE CONDITION OF BLACK AMERICA HAVE FAR WORSE
8 AFTER THE CIVIL RIGHTS THAN BEFORE THE CIVIL RIGHTS BECAUSE
9 THE PEOPLE THAT LIVED THE CIVIL RIGHTS IS THE PEOPLES OF THE
10 WORLD OPPRESSORS AND NOT THE BLACK PEOPLE. THEY ONLY USED A
11 FEW BLACK PEOPLE FOR THEIR CAUSE. BUT WE SHOULD STOP DRUGS
12 FROM COMING INTO AMERICA. WE SHOULD STOP DRUGS FROM BEING MADE
13 IN AMERICA. WE SHOULD STOP ALCOHOL FROM COMING TO AMERICA. WE
14 SHOULD STOP ALCOHOL FROM BEING MADE IN AMERICA. WE SHOULD END
15 GUN VIOLENCE ACROSS AMERICA TODAY. WE TALK ABOUT GOING TO
16 OTHER PEOPLE'S COUNTRIES TAKING OUR POISON OVER THERE AND
17 FORGETTING ABOUT HOW AMERICAN IS CRUMBLING AND NOTHING BEEN
18 DID ABOUT IT, HOW ABOUT JOBS AND MARRIAGE AND UNEMPLOYMENT IS
19 AT IN AMERICA. WE SHOULD PROMOTE FOR EDUCATION IN AMERICA.
20 EDUCATION SHOULD BE FIRST IN AMERICA. AND THE SOCIAL
21 _____ FOR BLACK AMERICA LIVE IN LOS ANGELES EVERY MORNING
22 AND LOOK AT PEOPLES IN OUR COMMUNITY DO NOT LOOK LIKE US.
23 BLACK FOLKS DO NOT HAVE BUSINESSES IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITY.
24 OTHER PEOPLES HAVE COME FROM DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE WORLD, PUT
25 BUSINESS IN THE BLACK AMERICAN COMMUNITY. THEY'RE LIKE EACH



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1 DAY IN THE BLACK COMMUNITY, WE GOT TO GO TO SOMEBODY ELSE THAT
2 DON'T LOOK LIKE US TO ASK FOR A CUP OF COFFEE. THAT'S UN-
3 AMERICAN. AMERICA MUST CHANGE AND THANK GOODNESS SOMEONE
4 TRYING TO CHANGE AMERICA THROUGH RELIGIOUS FIRST. I REMEMBER
5 BACK IN THE EARLY '80S, RELIGIOUS LEADER WENT TO THE POPE AND
6 MADE THE POPE GET THE CROSSES OUT OF THE CHURCH. HE HAD THE
7 POPE TO TELL THE PEOPLE TO QUIT USING THE TRINITY TEACHING IN
8 THE CHURCH AND HAD TO STOP AND HAD THE POPE TO TELL THE PEOPLE
9 IN THE CHURCH, QUIT TAKING THE SACRAMENT OFFERS. WE SHOULD
10 FIND LEADERS TO BE MORE ACCOUNTABLE FOR THEIR ACTION. WE
11 SHOULD ASK FOR BETTER LEADERSHIP. AMERICA WOULD BE A MUCH
12 BETTER COUNTRY TO LIVE IN IF WE CAN FOLLOW THE CONSTITUTION.
13 WE SHOULD FIND A WAY TO CHANGE AMERICA FROM THE BEAST TO THE
14 BEAUTIFUL. WHAT I WAS SAYING IS ALL AMERICA GOVERNMENT IS
15 CONNECTED TO THE AFRICAN. EVERYTHING IS CONNECTED TO THE
16 AFRICA WHO WAS HERE FIRST, CALLED IT CONTINENTAL CONGRESS. I
17 WAS SAYING ABOUT THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION AND THE UNITED
18 STATES OF LIBERIA IS THE SAME BOOK. MANY NATIONS ON THE
19 CONTINENT OF AFRICA HAD THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES FIRST BEFORE
20 AMERICA WAS FOUNDED.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
23 WE'LL ASK FOR THE NEXT SPEAKER TO COME FORWARD. THE FLOOR IS
24 YOURS FOR NOW, SIR.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS.
2 SORRY I MISSED YOU. I HAD A COMMITTEE MEETING THIS MORNING
3 THAT WAS REALLY INTERESTING GOING TO. BUT, ANYWAY, A COUPLE
4 THINGS ACROSS THE NEWSPAPER. "U.S.C. CONTROL OF COLISEUM
5 OKAYED." THERE SEEMS TO BE A DIFFERENCE OF OPINION HERE WITH
6 WHAT YOU MENTIONED IN THE NEWSPAPER, SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND
7 WHAT THIS MEMBER OF THE SCIENCE CENTER MARVIN HOLDEN HAD TO
8 SAY ABOUT THE CHANGEOVER AT THE COLISEUM. YOU MENTION WE WORK
9 HARD TO PRESERVE THIS INCREDIBLE INSTITUTION. I HOPE YOU ENDED
10 UP GETTING GOOD SEATS AT THE COLISEUM AND ALL THE SWAG THAT
11 GOES WITH THAT. BUT HERE'S THE QUESTION SINCE ONLY THREE OF
12 YOU WERE ON THE COLISEUM COMMISSION, WHAT DO THE OTHER TWO GET
13 IN LIEU OF NOT GETTING THE SWAG THAT THE THREE OF YOU GET FROM
14 THE COLISEUM COMMISSION? AND JUST SO YOU KNOW--

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** FIRST OF ALL, WE DON'T GET ANY TICKETS, OKAY?

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST SO YOU KNOW, THIS IS AN ARTICLE FROM LAST
19 WEEK'S "DAILY BREEZE." "CARSON CITY COUNCIL FIRES NEW CITY
20 MANAGER." ON AUGUST 6TH, WHEN HE WAS HIRED, MAYOR JIM DEAR
21 DEFENDED HIM AS COMPETENT, INTELLIGENT, EXPERIENCED AND ABLE
22 TO TALK TO PEOPLE. THE FIRST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER, HE WAS FIRED.
23 SO MUCH FOR BEING COMPETENT AND INTELLIGENT AND EXPERIENCED.
24 IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHAT YOU SAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, YOU
25 MADE THE NEWS. YOU WERE AT A RALLY IN LEIMERT PARK FOR WORK.



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1 AND SO I'M LOOKING AT-- THERE WAS A MEETING AT M.T.A. TODAY
2 FOR DOING BUSINESS WITH METRO. THIS WAS FROM THE M.T.A. BOARD
3 OF SUPERVISORS FROM DECEMBER 15TH, 2011. THREE INDEPENDENT
4 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITIES, THE METRO GOLD LINE FOOTHILL
5 EXTENSION, ONE OF MY ALL-TIME FAVORITE, THE EXPOSITION METRO
6 LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY AND THE ALAMEDA CORRIDOR EAST
7 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. WELL, THEY DON'T GO TO THESE DOING
8 BUSINESS WITH METRO MEETINGS. SO HOW DO SMALL BUSINESSES END
9 UP WORKING WITH THESE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITIES IF THEY CAN'T
10 DO BUSINESS AT THE METRO DOING BUSINESS WITH METRO MEETINGS?
11 IT JUST DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. AND SINCE THEY'RE OUTSIDE THE--
12 INDEPENDENT OF METRO, THEY BASICALLY DON'T HAVE THEIR OWN
13 HIRING, YOU KNOW, LABOR CONTRACTS THAT MITCHELL AGREES TO.
14 IT'S DISINGENUOUS OF YOU TO MENTION THAT THIS IS GOING TO
15 HAPPEN. AND THERE WAS A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE HOLDUP WITH THE
16 P.E.P.R.A., THAT THE MONEY WOULD CREATE 40,000 JOBS. YOU KNOW,
17 THEY JUST DID \$4 BILLION WORTH OF RENOVATION AT L.A.W.A. CAN
18 ONE OF THE SUPERVISORS TELL US HOW MANY JOBS THAT \$4 BILLION
19 CAME UP WITH?

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. YOUR TIME
22 IS EXPIRED. LET ME SIMPLY SAY THAT THE NEW COMPOSITION OF THE
23 COLISEUM COMMISSION IS THREE PERSONS, ONE REPRESENTING THE
24 STATE, ONE REPRESENTING THE COUNTY, ONE REPRESENTING THE CITY.
25 THAT WILL BE THE NEW DESIGN AND STRUCTURE OF THE COLISEUM



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1 COMMISSION. NO LONGER WILL THERE BE NINE MEMBERS. AND THAT'S
2 PURSUANT TO THE REFORMS THAT HAVE BEEN INSTITUTED UNDER THE
3 CURRENT CHAIR, WHO IS DON KNABE'S LEADERSHIP WHO APPOINTED ME
4 TO CHAIR THE RESTRUCTURING COMMITTEE. AND THERE ARE THREE
5 MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD WHO CURRENTLY SIT ON THE COMMISSION.
6 THAT WILL THEN BECOME ONE MEMBER OF THE BOARD, AND ALL THOSE
7 DOCUMENTS ARE PUBLIC FOR EVERYONE TO SEE. THE ASSERTION ABOUT
8 DISINGENUOUSNESS HAS TO BE MET WITH THE RESPONSE THAT YOU HAVE
9 TO BE INFORMED TO BE DISINGENUOUS AND THEREFORE THE MOST
10 RECENT SPEAKER CERTAINLY COULDN'T BE ACCUSED OF BEING
11 DISINGENUOUS. MR. CLAYTON.

12

13 **ALAN CLAYTON:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, CHAIRPERSON RIDLEY-THOMAS
14 AND OTHER DISTINGUISHED BOARD MEMBERS. MY NAME'S ALAN CLAYTON.
15 I'VE APPEARED BEFORE THE BOARD ACTUALLY STARTING BACK IN 1986,
16 DEALING WITH A VARIETY OF ISSUES. I'M HERE TODAY ON
17 REDISTRICTING. THE 211 MAP ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS. AT THE TIME I TESTIFIED OVER A WHOLE SERIES OF
19 HEARINGS, INCLUDING THE FINAL HEARINGS THAT I BELIEVE THE MAP
20 VIOLATED SECTION 2 OF THE FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT BY PACKING
21 LATINOS INTO ONE DISTRICT. BASICALLY WHAT THE MAP DID WAS KEEP
22 THE LINES FAIRLY CLOSE TO WHAT WAS ADOPTED BACK IN THE 1991
23 COURT DECISION BY THE JUDGE. AND THE CHANGES HAVE BEEN MINIMAL
24 EVEN THOUGH THERE'S BEEN GIGANTIC DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGES IN TERMS
25 OF SPANISH SURNAME VOTER REGISTRATION, IN TERMS OF CITIZEN



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1 VOTING AGE POPULATION OF LATINOS IN L.A. COUNTY. SO WHAT WE
2 HAVE IS BASICALLY LATINOS PACKED INTO DISTRICT 1 WITH NO OTHER
3 DISTRICT WITH A SIGNIFICANT-- SPECIFICALLY THERE'S NO OTHER
4 DISTRICT OVER 34 PERCENT LATINO F.V.A.P. SO BASICALLY WHAT WE
5 HAVE IS A PACKED-- AND THAT'S A VIOLATION OF SECTION 2 OF THE
6 FEDERAL VOTING RIGHTS ACT. SO AFTER THE REDISTRICTING WAS OVER
7 IN SEPTEMBER, MYSELF AND ANOTHER GENTLEMAN, JOAQUIN ABO, WHO
8 IS AN ATTORNEY WHO HAS WON AT THE SUPREME COURT IN A CASE
9 CALLED LOPEZ V. MONTEREY COUNTY. WE FILED AN ADMINISTRATIVE
10 COMPLAINT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. I'M FAMILIAR WITH
11 THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE PROCEDURES AND WE ASKED THE
12 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE TO INVESTIGATE. THE WAY JUSTICE DOES,
13 THEY DON'T TELL YOU WHAT THEY'RE DOING. YOU CAN PROVIDE THEM
14 WITH INFORMATION. JUST SO YOU KNOW THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SUED
15 THE CITY OF L.A. IN 1985. GLORIA MOLINA'S SEAT WAS CREATED OUT
16 OF THAT. IN 1987 I WAS INVOLVED IN GOING IN AND TESTIFYING ON
17 THAT PROCESS. IN 1988 THE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT SUED L.A. COUNTY.
18 THEY WERE INVOLVED IN THE PROCESS. YOU CAN SEE THAT I WAS
19 INVOLVED BACK INTO THE '80S ON THAT PROCESS BECAUSE I'M QUOTED
20 IN THE NEWSPAPERS OVER THE ISSUE TO, TRYING TO GET JUSTICE TO
21 COME IN AND SUE. AND ALSO THEY SUED THE UPPER MUNICIPAL SAN
22 GABRIEL VALLEY WATER DISTRICT. AND BASICALLY 2000, NINE YEARS
23 LATER-- THE POINT IS IT WAS FOUR YEARS, SEVEN YEARS AND NINE
24 YEARS LATER THAT THEY SUED, AND EACH CASE THEY WERE SUCCESSFUL
25 IN BASICALLY CHANGING ILLEGAL MAPS TO MAPS THAT WERE



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1 PROMULGATED THAT WERE LEGAL. AND THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WATER
2 DISTRICT, WHICH IS WHERE WE'RE ARGUING ONE OF THE ISSUES IS,
3 THEY DREW TWO REASONABLY COMPACT ISSUES WHERE THE LATINO
4 COMMUNITY COULD ELECT CANDIDATES OF THEIR OWN CHOICE. SO WHAT
5 I'M ASKING YOU TO DO IS RESOLVE THIS AMICABLY, SUPPORT THE
6 RIDLEY-THOMAS PLAN, THE S2 PLAN WHICH IS THE AMENDED S1 IN
7 SUPPORT, THE VELASQUEZ- CLAYTON PLAN, EITHER OF THOSE TWO
8 PLANS THAT MEET THE TEST OF THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT, DRAW TWO
9 REASONABLY COMPACT LATINO SEATS, KEEP THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN
10 COMMUNITY STRONG AND GIVE ASIANS A SHOT AT INFLUENCE ON
11 ANOTHER SEAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. I APPRECIATE
12 IT.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
15 TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. THANK YOU.

16

17 **LORI MARTIN:** GOOD MORNING. LORI MARTIN. I ACTUALLY HAVE A
18 COUPLE QUESTIONS FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TODAY. AS I SAID
19 EARLIER TODAY, I WILL BE GOING ON A RADIO SHOW THAT WILL AIR
20 ALL THE WAY TO THE U.K. I WILL BE DISCUSSING SITUATIONS SUCH
21 AS THE D.C.F.S. AUDIT, WHICH DID DISCOVER THAT THERE WAS \$177
22 MILLION MISUSED THAT WAS MEANT FOR FOSTER CHILDREN. I WANT TO
23 KNOW IF THE COUNTY FEELS THAT THEY'RE CARRYING OUT THEIR DUTY?
24 THIS WILL BE ONE OF THE QUESTIONS THAT I'LL BE ASKED. IS THERE
25 ANY DEVELOPMENT TO THE SUGGESTIONS THAT HAVE BEEN MADE TO THIS



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1 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS? NO, OF COURSE NOT BECAUSE WE'RE IGNORED.
2 NO RESPONSES FROM THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION AS FAR AS THE
3 SUGGESTIONS GO. AND, YES, L.A. CITIZENS HAVE REQUESTED
4 NUMEROUS TIMES FOR A CITIZEN COMMISSION, AND WE HAVE NOT BEEN
5 ACCOMMODATED YET. I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE CHAIR TO PLEASE PAY
6 ATTENTION AND STOP MY CLOCK UNTIL I HAVE THE FULL UNDIVIDED
7 ATTENTION OF THE BOARD. THIS IS IMPERATIVE. DO YOU NOT
8 UNDERSTAND THAT THIS IS GOING TO GO WORLDWIDE IN ABOUT 20
9 MINUTES? AND ALL OF YOU SIT THERE WITH NOTHING TO SAY ABOUT
10 HOW BAD THIS DEPARTMENT IS RUN WHEN IT IS YOUR JOB TO OVERSEE
11 THAT THEY ARE DOING WHAT THEY HAVE BEEN TOLD TO DO CORRECTLY,
12 FOLLOWING LAWS, FOLLOWING PROCEDURES. AND UNFORTUNATELY YOU
13 GOT THIS JERK, PHILIP BROWNING, WHO HAS ALREADY RIPPED OFF
14 MANY OF L.A.'S CITIZENS FOR THEIR CHILD SUPPORT, AND HALF THE
15 PEOPLE DON'T EVEN REALIZE BECAUSE THEY HAVEN'T CHECKED THEIR
16 REFLECTION OF REPAID ASSISTANCE. I HAVE. I HAVE PLENTY OF
17 DOCUMENTATION THAT PROVES THAT UNTIL TODAY, MY ASSISTANCE IS
18 NOT REFLECTING REPAID ALTHOUGH MY TAXES AND CHILD SUPPORT SURE
19 WERE TAKEN BY MR. BROWNING WHEN HE WAS IN DIRECTOR POSITION AT
20 CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES. SO AS FAR AS IT GOES WHEN I TALK TO
21 THIS RADIO SHOW TODAY, DO I FEEL THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
22 IS CARRYING OUT THEIR DUTY? NO, NOT AT ALL. THEY'RE VERY
23 NEGLIGENT IN THE HANDLING OF MANY INNOCENT LIVES OF CHILDREN.
24 NOT ONLY JUST CHILDREN, BUT FAMILIES GET DESTROYED IN THE
25 PROCESS. AND NOW YOU'RE GOING TO EXTEND A PROGRAM TO CONDITION



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1 OUR CHILDREN TO BE OKAY GOING INTO A PRISON, BEING SEARCHED,
2 WHERE A RIOT CAN HAPPEN. WHO KNOWS WHAT CAN HAPPEN WITH
3 CHILDREN INSIDE OF A PRISON? 70 PERCENT OF THE PRISONS IN L.A.
4 CARRY FORMER WARDS OF THE COURT AS IT IS. ARE YOU JUST
5 PREPPING THEM FOR THEIR FUTURES? I THINK THIS COUNTY IS UPSET
6 WITH ME BECAUSE I DIDN'T FOLLOW THE CONDITIONING AND I DIDN'T
7 GET INCARCERATED AND I DIDN'T END UP IN REHAB. AS A MATTER OF
8 FACT, I ENDED UP A PROJECT MANAGER WRITING CHECKS TO THE CITY
9 IN THE THOUSANDS. AND I HAVE THE COPIES OF THOSE CHECKS. AND I
10 HAVE NO PROBLEM BRINGING THEM ONE DAY. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
13 WE'LL PROCEED TO THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

14

15 **BOBBY COOPER:** YEAH I LIKE THAT SPEAKER. WELL, DARLING, I GAVE
16 THEM \$2 MILLION AND THEY WON'T DO A DAG GONE THING TO FIND
17 NOBODY IN MY FAMILY TO TRY TO GET MY BUSINESS BACK FOR ME.
18 THAT WAS \$2 MILLION DURING THE TURNOVER. WON'T GO THERE.
19 LISTEN, I'M LOOKING FOR MY WIFE SO I CAN LEAVE THIS COUNTRY.
20 YOU PEOPLE HAVE TAKEN EVERYTHING I HAVE, YOU KNOW, FALSIFIED
21 MEDICAL REPORTS, DOCUMENTS. I MEAN, THESE ARE PEOPLE YOU SEND
22 OUT TO HELP ME AS A PERSON. I WANT TO FIND MY WIFE. SHE'S WITH
23 A SONIA, SOCIAL WORKER. SONIA DIAZ IS RUNNING THE SHOW AND A
24 COUPLE OF POLICE OFFICERS. NOW, I CHECKED AFTER SEVEN YEARS,
25 YOU ALLOWED ME ON THE INTERNET, ALLOWING ME TO PROCEED ON THE



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1 INTERNET. I FOUND OUT THAT ONE OF MY BUSINESSES IS SEXY--
2 MIMAW'S [PH?] SEXY FASHIONS OPENED IN 2006 SOLICITING
3 PORNOGRAPHIC MATERIAL ON THERE ALONG WITH MY-- I WANT TO GET
4 MY NAME OFF OF THAT PORNOGRAPHIC MATERIAL. AND I BELIEVE
5 THEY'RE SOLICITING CHILDREN IN THERE WITH BIKINIS THAT I'M
6 SUPPOSED TO BE SELLING. THIS IS MY BUSINESS RIGHT HERE. THIS
7 WAS MY BUSINESS UNTIL THEY TOOK IT OVER, DO YOU UNDERSTAND?
8 THIS IS JUST CITY OFFICIALS AND YOU ALLOWING THESE PEOPLE TO
9 VICTIMIZE ME. THIS IS MY BUSINESS RIGHT HERE. THESE ARE ALL
10 LATINO BANK MANAGERS, YOU KNOW, AND OFFICIALS. I WAS ONLY ABLE
11 TO CASH ONE \$900 CHECK FOR AN APARTMENT TO SLEEP THAT NIGHT.
12 THE REST OF THEM, THEY RIDE AROUND IN TRUCKS AND STOP ME FROM
13 EVEN DOING BUSINESS. THIS HAS BEEN FOR MORE THAN, WHAT, FOUR
14 OR FIVE YEARS? I BEEN DOWN HERE A NUMBER OF TIMES, SOLICITED
15 YOU ABOUT THIS. I WON THE ALLEGATIONS THAT I WAS BOUNCING
16 CHECKS BY YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, I WON IT IN CIVIL
17 COURT. WE ALL WON IT. CIVIL LAWSUIT. YOU KNOW, HE PUTS THE
18 POLICE ON IT SO WE DON'T HAVE TO PAY. THREATENING MY LIFE WHEN
19 I WENT UP THERE AND TOLD THEM THAT THE COURT STATED THAT HE
20 WAS SUPPOSED TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS SO WE COULD COLLECT OUR
21 CLAIMS. I'M NOT COMING UP HERE ANYMORE. I'M TRYING MY
22 DARNEDEST TO HAVE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LOOK INTO THE WHOLE
23 SITUATION WITH REGARDS TO THE THREAT TO MY LIFE, THE ATTEMPTS
24 MADE ON MY LIFE AND THE TAKING AND THE FLEECING OF MY ACCOUNTS



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1 AND THE TAKING OF EVEN MY SOCIAL SECURITY MONEY IS TAKEN THIS
2 MONTH SO I CAN'T EVEN RIDE THE BUS DOWN HERE TO COMPLAIN.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. WE'LL
5 TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. SIR?

6

7 **DAVID JACKSON:** GOOD MORNING, DISTINGUISHED GENTLEMEN AND
8 CHAIRMAN. MY NAME IS DAVID JACKSON. QUITE FAMILIAR WITH ALL
9 YOU GUYS. I'M QUITE SURE YOU'RE FAMILIAR WITH ME. HOWEVER, I
10 DON'T LIKE COMING HERE OFTEN, BUT I COME HERE TODAY, MAN I SEE
11 A LOT OF STILL YET GOING ON. MAYBE I NEED TO COME BACK DOWN
12 HERE AND GET IN A FIGHT WITH YOU GUYS AGAIN BECAUSE I FEEL TO
13 BELIEVE THAT I NEED SOME HOSPICE CARE. I FEEL THAT I'M THE
14 MOST RACIALLY DISCRIMINATED MAN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, IN THE
15 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND I BELIEVE THAT A LOT OF YOU MAY
16 HAVE ONE TIME OR ANOTHER, ESPECIALLY CHAIRMAN, MAY HAVE EVEN
17 SPEAK ON THIS MATTER WHEN IT CAME TO DAVID JACKSON. BUT STILL
18 YET I COME DOWN HERE OFTEN AND I DON'T SAY MUCH. I TAKE A LOT
19 BECAUSE LIKE I SAY, I FEEL THAT I'M THE MOST RACIALLY
20 DISCRIMINATED MAN IN THE CITY AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES.
21 AS A MATTER OF FACT, IN THE WHOLE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.
22 YOU KNOW, AND I TAKE A LOT, MR. THOMAS, AND I ACCEPT A LOT. I
23 TRY TO HELP A LOT. I EVEN ACT AS A NEXT FRIEND, YOU UNDERSTAND
24 WITH A LOT OF LEGAL CONCERNS WITH OTHER PEOPLE INSTEAD OF
25 DEALING WITH MY OWN, BECAUSE I KNOW THE BRUNT OF IT ALL. AND I



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1 HAVEN'T FELT THE FULL FORCE, MAN. AND LIKE I SAID, I NEED
2 HOSPITAL CARE. BUT I EVEN GOT TO A POINT WHERE THEY TOOK
3 EVERYTHING FROM ME, EVEN THE S.S.I., DO YOU UNDERSTAND ME?
4 BUSH DID HIS LITTLE THING WITH HIS DIRECTOR, THE MARTINEZ
5 SELLING THE STUFF LIKE THAT, AND THE CLOCK, HOW IT COME UP
6 UNDER BOTH THINGS. STILL CAN'T GET A DIME. READY TO GO TO THE
7 'HOOD IF Y'ALL WANT ME TO? UNDERSTAND ME. KNOW WHAT HAPPENED
8 TO C.C.B. IT'S NOT C.C.B. NO MORE. IT'S CLARA SHORTRIDGE FOLTZ
9 CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER. AND I LIKE WHAT PRESIDENT BUSH SAID.
10 HE NEVER COULD IMAGINE A MAN THAT WOULD WALK DOWN THE STREET
11 AND ONE DAY SPEND THE REST OF HIS DAY AND LIFE IN PRISON, THAT
12 IT HAPPENED TO ME. EVEN FILED A CLAIM AGAINST YOU GUYS BEFORE
13 YOU WERE EVEN ON THE BOARD. I LET IT GO BECAUSE I FELT, AS AN
14 AMERICAN, A MOOR, AT THAT. A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T UNDERSTAND
15 THAT THE WORD "MOOR" IS A COLOR. BUT WE DON'T TALK ABOUT MOOR
16 BEING A COLOR, BECAUSE EVERYBODY UNDERSTANDS THAT MOOR MEANS
17 WHAT? BLACK. SO THEY JUST CALL US BLACK. SO I FEEL A LOT OF
18 THE PEOPLE THAT COME UP. I HOPE YOU DON'T CUT ME OFF ON MY
19 TIME AS YOU CUT HIM OFF ON HIS BECAUSE I'M HERE ABOUT MY
20 D.P.S.S. I HAVEN'T YET RECEIVED ANY OF MY FUNDS FROM THEM
21 SINCE THE FIFTH. AND I ALWAYS HAVE TO COME DOWN HERE
22 PERIODICALLY, SEEMS LIKE EVERY OTHER MONTH AND I TRY NOT TO
23 COME UP HERE TO THE BOARD BECAUSE I STILL TRY TO ACCEPT IT.
24 BUT I WANT SOMEONE TO-- SO THEY SAID IT WAS AN ERROR, THAT I
25 HAVEN'T DID ANYTHING WRONG. AND FOR ALL THESE DAYS NOW, I



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1 CAN'T GET ANYTHING FOR MYSELF. AND I'M HOMELESS IN THE STREET.
2 I GET FOOD STAMPS ON THE FIRST AND I HAVE TO JUST SPEND EATING
3 FOOD, BUT I HAVE NO OTHER PLEASURES. AND I WISH THAT YOU WOULD
4 HAVE SOMEONE TO LOOK IN THERE AND TELL THEM TO GIVE ME MY
5 MONEY TODAY.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT.

8

9 **DAVID JACKSON:** Y'ALL HAVE A NICE, BLESSED DAY. AND GUESS WHAT?
10 I'LL BE BACK.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, SIR. APPRECIATE YOUR
13 TESTIMONY. MS. AUSTRIAN CAN LEND YOU AN ASSIST IF YOU DESIRE.
14 ALL RIGHT. WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. MISS PANG?

15

16 **IRENE PANG:** GOOD MORNING, I'M IRENE PANG. AND I LIKE THAT
17 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT NEED TO WORKING ON THE FAMILY
18 MATTERS. A, THE PROPERTY _____ OF OWNERSHIP AND PROPERTY
19 REVELATION POLICIES. B, THE WHITE PERSON, ALL THE COLORED
20 PERSONS TAKE THEIR GOVERNMENT POSITION ONLY. C, WITNESS AND
21 ASSIST THE GUSTAV WHO WORK FOR THE GOVERNMENT BUT NOT BILLS
22 AND WORKING ON THE HARSHER CONDITION AND ALL THEY PUT IN THE
23 JAIL BY THE ONE VOTE PERSON. SUCH IS MY NEW VIEW AND FAMILY
24 MEMBERS ALSO THE VICTIMS OF THE UNITED STATES, ALL THE OTHERS,
25 IN THIS SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES. TWO, ALL THE OTHER



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1 ACTION, ALL THE ADVOCATION AND THE _____ NEED TO PUNISH BY
2 THE LAW ON THE AMERICAN LAND. I EXPECT THE GOVERNMENT OF
3 UNITED STATES AND ALL THE GOOD CITIZENS AND THE GOOD RESIDENTS
4 MAKE THEIR EFFORT TO PROTECT THE NAME OF UNITED STATES AND OUR
5 GOVERNMENT AND THE WORLD PEACEFUL. THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
8 WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKERS. I HAVE CALLED YOUR NAMES. AND I
9 WILL CALL THE ADDITIONAL SPEAKERS. OF COURSE, WE INTEND TO
10 ADJOURN FROM PUBLIC SESSION IN APPROXIMATELY 10, MAXIMUM 15
11 MINUTES. SO PLEASE GOVERN YOURSELVES ACCORDINGLY. ZACHARIAS
12 REYES. ERICA GUTIERREZ. DELORES MEJILLA. BLANCA MEDINA. JOHN
13 WALSH. ETHEL JOHNSON. SHEILAH WARD. ALL RIGHT? SIR, YOU MAY
14 PROCEED.

15

16 **KEVIN FERGUSON:** MY NAME IS KEVIN FERGUSON. I HAVE WORKED WITH
17 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR 33 YEARS
18 AND HAVE BEEN A FIELD TRAINING SUPERVISOR FOR OVER 20 YEARS.
19 BEFORE ME IS THE CHILD FATALITY DATA REPORT WHICH REVIEWED
20 HUNDREDS OF CHILD DEATHS WHO WERE AT ONE TIME UNDER THE
21 SUPERVISION OF D.C.F.S. ALSO BEFORE ME ARE SOME OF THE MOST
22 EXHAUSTIVE, INTENSIVE PROFESSIONAL STUDIES EVER CONDUCTED ON
23 CHILD WELFARE SERVICES IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF
24 CALIFORNIA, INCLUDING U.C. DAVIS, CENTER OF PUBLIC POLICY
25 RESEARCH, CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF SOCIAL POLICY CHILD WELFARE



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1 PRACTICE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CALIFORNIA SENATE BILL 2030,
2 CHILD WELFARE WORK FLOW STUDY INDICATED THAT CHILD WELFARE
3 WORKLOAD STANDARDS IN CALIFORNIA IN WERE NOT ADEQUATE TO MEET
4 THE PRESENT REGULATIONS, MUCH LESS TO OPTIMIZE PRACTICE. CHILD
5 WELFARE, GATEWAY REPORT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
6 AND HUMAN SERVICES INDICATED THE AVERAGE CASELOAD FOR CHILD
7 WELFARE WORKERS OFTEN EXCEEDS RECOMMENDED LEVELS, SOMETIMES BY
8 DOUBLE OR MORE. LOS ANGELES COUNTY CASELOADS ARE DOUBLE
9 RECOMMENDED LEVELS. ALL THESE STUDIES CLEARLY INDICATE THAT IT
10 IS IMPOSSIBLE, A WORD I DO NOT USE LIGHTLY GIVEN THE DEATH OF
11 SO MANY CHILDREN, TO DO CONSISTENT, CRITICAL THINKING IN
12 ASSESSING CHILD SAFETY AND RISK WITH HIGH CASELOADS. OCTOBER
13 14, 2008 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVED
14 A FIVE-YEAR KATY A. LAWSON STRATEGIC PLAN FOR D.C.F.S. THE
15 PLAN FOR THE CASELOAD REDUCTION WAS FOR 14 CHILDREN TO ONE
16 SOCIAL WORKER. THE D.C.F.S. HAS NEVER MET CASELOAD REDUCTION
17 GOALS. SINCE THE START OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN, CASELOADS HAVE
18 INCREASED IN CONTINUING SERVICES AND CHILDREN CONTINUE TO DIE
19 EVEN THOUGH EVERY STUDY MENTIONED ABOVE INDICATES THAT
20 CASELOAD REDUCTION IS THE CENTERPIECE TO CHILD SAFETY. PRESENT
21 CASELOAD? 30 CHILDREN TO ONE C.S.W. THE D.C.F.S. HAS WELL OVER
22 7,000 EMPLOYEES, BUT LESS THAN 1/3 HAVE DIRECT FACE-TO-FACE
23 CONTACT WITH CHILDREN TO ASSESS SAFETY AND RISK. NO
24 EXPLANATION IS GIVEN FOR 60 PERCENT OF THE 1,700 CHILDREN WHO
25 MAY NOT HAVE BEEN SEEN BY D.C.F. SOCIAL WORKERS EVERY MONTH.



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1 WHILE IN CONSULTATION WITH TWO HOMICIDE DETECTIVES, IT WAS
2 NOTED THAT TRAGICALLY, THEY HAVE TO SOLVE A HOMICIDE AFTER THE
3 VICTIM IS DECEASED. CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKERS ARE ASKED TO
4 STOP A HOMICIDE BEFORE IT EVER HAPPENS. THE DETECTIVES
5 INDICATED THEY HAVE NEVER ASKED TO WORK ON 30 OR 40 HOMICIDES
6 AT THE SAME TIME, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE. YET SOCIAL WORKERS ARE
7 ASKED TO PREVENT 30 TO 40 POTENTIAL HOMICIDES AND ABUSES EVERY
8 MONTH. THE D.C.F. HAS TRIED INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS, NEW
9 TRAININGS, EXPERT PANELS, NEW RISK STRATEGIC PLANS. CHILDREN
10 STILL TRAGICALLY DIE. BUT THE D.C.F.S. HAS NEVER REDUCED
11 CASELOADS TO THE LEVELS THE MOST IN-DEPTH STUDIES HAVE
12 INDICATED. UNFORTUNATELY ANOTHER CHILD MAY DIE. THE PUBLIC
13 WILL BE OUTRAGED. THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL DEMAND
14 ANSWERS. THE NEWS MEDIA WILL DIG FOR FACTS AND ASK WHO WILL BE
15 FIRED NEXT? WHAT A TRAGEDY. I'D LIKE TO SUBMIT THIS
16 DOCUMENTATION.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. YOU MAY DO SO WITH
19 THE SERGEANT THE ARMS. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY AND WE
20 MOVE TO THE NEXT SPEAKER. MISS PAZ.

21

22 **DENISE PAZ:** HI, MR. MARK. ACCORDING TO L.A. TIMES, FOSTER CARE
23 IS AT ITS CRISIS POINT. D.C.F.S. CAN'T EVEN ACCOMMODATE FOSTER
24 CHILDREN CHILDREN WHEN THEY ARE DETAINED INTO FOSTER CARE AS
25 OF THE LACK OF HOUSING. BY APPROVING ITEM 11, THESE FOSTER



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1 CHILDREN ARE BEING FOR FUTURE INSTITUTIONALIZATION. STATE
2 PRISONS ARE VERY POLITICAL AND CHILDREN CAN BE TARGETED FOR
3 RETALIATION. SUPERVISORS, YOU WILL BE LIABLE FOR THESE RISK
4 FACTORS. STOP ENABLING THIS DEPARTMENT TO BOOTSTRAP. AND WE
5 HAVE CRISIS ON JEFFERSON AND CRENSHAW. THERE'S A TRACK OF
6 PROSTITUTION. AND THEY SEEM VERY YOUNG. SO YOU GUYS NEED TO
7 GET SOME DETECTIVES AND GO AND INVESTIGATE. ON JEFFERSON AND
8 CRENSHAW WHERE I LIVE. ON JEFF AND SHAW, THERE'S A TRACK OF
9 PROSTITUTES AND WE NEED TO STOP THIS. IT'S DISGUSTING.

10

11 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.
12 WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE.

13

14 **ZACHARIAS REYES:** MY NAME IS ZACHARIAS REYES AND I'M AN
15 _____ PUEBLO STUDENT. I'M SHARING THE TIME WITH MY MOTHER.
16 I WANT TO THANK MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR SUPPORTING MY SCHOOL
17 AND GLORIA MOLINA WHO HAS ALSO SUPPORTED MY SCHOOL. RIGHT NOW
18 WE ARE GOING FOR OUR CHARTER APPEAL AGAINST L.A.C.O.E. AND I
19 WANT TO TELL YOU THAT I HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE. THIS IS THE ONLY
20 SCHOOL I CHOOSE TO GO BECAUSE THE SCHOOLS IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD
21 ARE IN PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT FOR MULTIPLE YEARS. THAT IS NOT MY
22 STANDARD.

23

24 **MARIBEL GUTIERREZ:** MY NAME IS MARIBEL GUTIERREZ AND I AM
25 ZACHARIAS REYES'S MOTHER ALONG WITH THE TWO CHILDREN WHO ARE



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1 IN SPECIAL NEED, I.E.P. STUDENTS. AND MY CHILDREN HAVE GONE
2 FROM SCHOOL TO SCHOOL THROUGHOUT THE L.A. SCHOOL DISTRICT,
3 NEVER BEING ABLE TO BE SUCCESSFUL AT READING OR MATH OR THE
4 BASIC SKILLS THAT CHILDREN NEED TO ACCOMPLISH THEIR ACADEMIC
5 SKILLS. SINCE THEY'VE BEEN IN THIS SCHOOL, THEY'RE AT SCHOOL
6 LEVEL NOW. AND I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW IT IS THAT THE
7 BOARDS ARE NOT ALLOWING THIS SCHOOL TO CONTINUE WITH THE
8 PROGRESS THAT THEY'RE MAKING. THESE CHILDREN, I FEEL WE'RE
9 GETTING OUR CHILDREN WHO NEED SPECIAL NEEDS' RIGHTS VIOLATED.
10 WHY IS IT THAT WE'RE NOT ALLOWING THESE KIDS TO CONTINUE TO
11 GROW AND LEARN? IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. I NEED HELP IN
12 GETTING THIS RENEWAL TODAY. IT'S IMPORTANT FOR OUR SCHOOLS,
13 FOR OUR STUDENTS WHO NEED THIS HELP. AND THAT'S PRETTY MUCH
14 WHAT I NEED. I NEED HELP FROM ALL YOU BOARD MEMBERS. TODAY THE
15 MEETING IS AT 3:00. AND IF MY CHILDREN DO NOT CONTINUE IN THIS
16 SCHOOL, I HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO HOME SCHOOL THEM. AND THAT
17 ISN'T MUCH OF A CHOICE FOR CHILDREN. CHILDREN NEED TO BE AMONG
18 THEIR PEERS. BUT THE SCHOOLS IN MY AREA DO NOT PROVIDE ENOUGH
19 HELP FOR THESE CHILDREN TO CONTINUE. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIR:** WE CERTAINLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR
22 TESTIMONY. WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKERS, PLEASE. MA'AM?

23

24 **ERICA GUTIERREZ:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS ERICA GUTIERREZ AND
25 I AM ALSO A PARENT AND _____ CALMECA [PH?]. I AM ALSO A



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1 TEACHER. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS TIME. I WANT TO PUBLICLY
2 THANK MR. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND GLORIA MOLINA. IT'S
3 UNFORTUNATE THAT SHE'S NOT HERE TO THANK HER IN PERSON FOR THE
4 SUPPORT OF INNOVATIVE SCHOOL IN EAST L.A. WE'RE HERE TOO TODAY
5 WITH A GREAT AND URGENT MESSAGE BECAUSE MR. YAROSLAVSKY, MR.
6 KNABE, OUR SCHOOL IS GOING BEFORE L.A.C.O.E. TODAY TO BE
7 DENIED. THE RECOMMENDATION IS TO BE DENIED. IT IS URGENT TO US
8 BECAUSE AS ONE OF THE STUDENTS SAID, IT'S THE ONLY ALTERNATIVE
9 IN THE AREA THAT IS NOT IN PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT STATUS. WE HAVE
10 PROVIDED L.A.C.O.E. WITH ALL THE INFORMATION NECESSARY TO LOOK
11 AT OUR DATA AND SEE THAT WE'RE A SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL. WE
12 RECEIVED W.A.S.C. ACCREDITATION JUST RECENTLY IN JUNE-- IN
13 MAY, I APOLOGIZE, FOR SIX YEARS. WE RECEIVED THE AUTHORIZATION
14 OF THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM FOR FIVE YEARS JUST
15 THIS JUNE. AND, YET, THE CHARTER SCHOOL DIVISION OFFICE HAS
16 RECOMMENDED A DENIAL. WHY? THEY'RE DISCREDITING US. FURTHER,
17 THERE'S BEEN AN ISSUE WITH THE PROCESS. AND WE CALL ON YOU, AS
18 SUPERVISORS THAT OVERSEE THAT AND APPOINT BOARD MEMBERS TO DO
19 THE RIGHT THING BECAUSE WE'RE NOW TALKING ABOUT VIOLATION OF
20 THE LAW. AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE CHARTER SCHOOL OFFICE
21 SUPERINTENDENT DELGADO, KATE BRODY, AND THE OTHER, THEY ESCAPE
22 ME AT THE MOMENT. BUT WE DO NEED YOU TO INTERVENE. THEY'VE
23 REQUESTED INFORMATION FROM US THAT THEY CLAIM WE HAVE NOT
24 GIVEN, YET AS PARENTS AND TEACHERS, WE WORK ON IT.

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. NOW, THE DISTRICT IN
2 WHICH THE SCHOOL CURRENTLY EXISTS?

3

4 **ERICA GUTIERREZ:** IT IS IN EAST L.A. IT'S THROUGH MISS MOLINA'S
5 DISTRICT.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SO THERE IS A STAFF
8 PERSON WHO WISHES TO BE OF ASSISTANCE, AVIANA.

9

10 **ERICA GUTIERREZ:** GREAT. AND MY TIME IS BEING COUNTED RIGHT NOW
11 AS WE'RE SPEAKING? CAN WE PAUSE IT? IT WAS AT A MINUTE.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** NO, I UNDERSTAND. BUT I'M
14 ESSENTIALLY TRYING TO GET YOU TIMELY HELP SO THAT THE VERY
15 THINGS THAT YOU ARE ADDRESSING CAN BE ADDRESSED NOW BECAUSE
16 THE CLOCK IS OBVIOUSLY RUNNING IN TERMS OF THE DECISION THAT'S
17 BEING CONSIDERED. PROCEED.

18

19 **ERICA GUTIERREZ:** YES. AND WE DID WANT SPECIFICALLY, YOU KNOW,
20 MR. YAROSLAVSKY, MR. KNABE AND MR. ANTONOVICH. AND IT'S
21 UNFORTUNATE THAT HE'S NOT HERE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT OUR SCHOOL.
22 WE HAVE DROPPED OFF AS A GROUP OF PARENTS PAMPHLETS REGARDING
23 OUR SCHOOL. AND IF I MAY, CAN I GIVE THESE TO THEM NOW?

24

25 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** UH-HUH.



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2 **ERICA GUTIERREZ:** OKAY. WELL, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THEY
3 UNDERSTAND THAT OUR SCHOOL REALLY ADDRESSES THE NEEDS OF
4 SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YES.

7

8 **ERICA GUTIERREZ:** IF YOU NOTICE, WE SERVE THEM AT
9 DISPROPORTIONATE AMOUNT, SOMETIMES DOUBLE, TRIPLE. AND YET WE
10 STILL ACHIEVE 100 PERCENT GRADUATION RATE-- NO. 98.5 AVERAGE
11 COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE RATES. SO IT WOULD BE A DISSERVICE TO END
12 OUR SPECIAL EDUCATION FOCUS. AND INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
13 PROGRAM THAT TYPICALLY IS NOT PROVIDED TO CHILDREN IN THESE
14 COMMUNITIES. I'M A PARENT. I'M A TEACHER. AND I CAN TELL YOU
15 THAT WE'RE NOT GOING TO STAND FOR THIS. WE HAVE BEEN TREATED
16 VERY UNJUSTLY. AND WE LOOK TO YOU TO LOOK AT THE PROCESS
17 BECAUSE SOME OF THE THINGS THEY'RE DOING OVER AT THE CHARTER
18 OFFICE IS UNACCEPTABLE. THINGS BEING MENTIONED THAT ARE
19 RACIALLY MOTIVATED. AND IT'S PUBLIC. IT'S PUBLIC. SO WE'RE
20 GOING TO LOOK TO YOU ALL DEPENDING UPON WHAT ACTION IS TAKEN
21 TODAY. AND WE LOOK TO YOU TO DO THE RIGHT THING. OKAY. WE
22 WOULD LIKE-- WE'RE HERE TO TALK WITH MR. YAROSLAVSKY'S OFFICE,
23 MR. KNABE, WE'RE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHTY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH
2 FOR YOUR TESTIMONY. IF YOU WOULD HAVE YOUR CONVERSATION WITH
3 SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S STAFF, I THINK SHE'S POISED TO BE OF
4 ASSISTANCE. ALL RIGHT. MA'AM, YOUR TESTIMONY.

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6 **BLANCA MEDINA:** YES. WELL GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BLANCA
7 MEDINA, AND I'M ONE OF THE PARENTS THAT ACTUALLY HAS A CHILD
8 WITH SPECIAL NEEDS, WHICH I AM VERY PROUD TO SAY HE GRADUATED.
9 NOW HE IS GOING TO OREGON, EUGENE, OREGON TO COLLEGE. AND HE'S
10 INDEPENDENTLY TAKING CARE OF ALL OF HIS PAPERWORK. THIS IS AN
11 I.E.P. STUDENT. THIS IS A SPECIAL NEEDS STUDENT THAT GRADUATED
12 FROM CALMECA. HE PASSED HIS PLACEMENT TEST, ENGLISH PLACEMENT
13 TEST, WHICH IS, YOU KNOW, I REALLY DIDN'T EVEN MYSELF, AS THE
14 PARENT, I WAS VERY SURPRISED BECAUSE HE REALLY HAD A HARD
15 TIME. WITH ALL OF THE SUPPORT THAT ARE NOW AT CALMECA.

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17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** PLEASANTLY SURPRISED. PLEASANTLY
18 SURPRISED.

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20 **BLANCA MEDINA:** WELL, IT WAS A CHALLENGE. IT WAS ONE OF THOSE
21 CHALLENGES THAT MOM HAD TO GO THROUGH SEEING EVERY SINGLE DAY
22 MAKING SURE THAT THAT CHILD HAD HIS HOMEWORK DONE, THAT THE
23 TEACHERS WERE BACK UP CONSTANTLY REMINDED HIM. HE WAS ONE OF
24 THOSE STUDENTS THAT YOU HAD TO REMIND HIM IF ANYTHING EVERY
25 HALF HOUR, "HAVE YOU DONE THIS? HAVE YOU DONE THIS? HAVE YOU



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1 DONE THAT?" I COULD PROBABLY SAY HE'S GOING TO BE IN COLLEGE.
2 HE'S GOING TO PULL IT THROUGH. AND I REALLY THANK _____
3 CALMECA FOR THAT. AND FOR THIS REASON, I ASK YOU TO PLEASE
4 GIVE US YOUR SUPPORT ON HAVING THIS _____ CALMECA OPEN FOR MY
5 OTHER CHILD, WHICH IS IN THE 11TH GRADE AND ALSO BEEN A
6 CHALLENGE, NOT MENTALLY BUT SOCIALLY. SHE'S JUST BEEN GIVING
7 US SOME HARDSHIP ALSO BUT BECAUSE SHE HAS THE SUPPORT OF THE
8 SCHOOL, BECAUSE SHE HAS THE SUPPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION,
9 BECAUSE SHE HAS OUR SUPPORT, MOM AND DAD ARE THERE FOR HER,
10 THAT SHE IS POINTING TO AND I'M POSITIVE THAT SHE IS GOING TO
11 BE GRADUATING AND CHOOSE THE UNIVERSITY OF HER CHOICE. AND ALL
12 OF THIS BECAUSE OF THE SUPPORT OF THE SCHOOL. LIKE I SAID, IT
13 TAKES A VILLAGE TO RAISE A CHILD. _____ CALMECA IS A VILLAGE. I
14 REALLY, REALLY BELIEVE IN THAT. [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHTY.

17

18 **BLANCA MEDINA:** SO IF YOU COULD SEND MR. YAROSLAVSKY TO PLEASE,
19 PLEASE HELP US TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL.

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
22 TESTIMONY. ALL RIGHT. WE'LL CONTINUE WITH THE TESTIMONY.
23 MA'AM?

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1 **DELORES MEJIA:** HELLO. GOOD MORNING. I WANT TO THANK MISS
2 MOLINA FOR COMING IN AND HEARING OUR TESTIMONY. MY NAME IS
3 DELORES MEJIA FROM THE EAST SIDE COALITION. I'M HERE IN
4 SUPPORT OF _____ CALMECA SCHOOL, PREPARATORY UNIVERSITY
5 SCHOOL. I'M GOING TO TELL YOU A LITTLE BACKGROUND ON MY
6 RELATIONSHIP WITH THIS SCHOOL. I WAS NOT ASKED TO BE HERE
7 TODAY. SOME YEARS AGO I REALIZE THAT ONE OF THE STUDENTS THAT
8 I USED TO WORK WITH DURING MY EMPLOYMENT AT L.A. UNIFIED
9 SCHOOL DISTRICT, I USED TO WORK AT UTAH STREET SCHOOL, SECOND
10 STREET SCHOOL, HOLLENBECK AND ROOSEVELT. THIS IS HOW POWERFUL
11 DEVELOPING CURRICULUM THAT IS CULTURALLY RELEVANT IS. IT IS A
12 RESULT OF A VERY BRIEF CONTACT WITH A STUDENT AT HOLLENBECK
13 JUNIOR HIGH THAT SHE PROCEEDED TO CONTINUE IN EDUCATION, NOT
14 ONLY TO EDUCATE HERSELF BUT TO EDUCATE OTHERS. AND SHE IS NOW
15 ON THE BOARD OF THE _____ CALMECA, SCHOOL. HER SON GRADUATED
16 FROM THAT SCHOOL AND IS NOW GOING TO NORTHRIDGE UNIVERSITY.
17 HER YOUNGER DAUGHTER IS IN THE ELEMENTARY AND NOW HER
18 GRANDCHILDREN GO TO THAT SCHOOL. I WANT TO RELATE TO THE
19 IMPORTANCE AND HOW PROFOUND THE IMPACT IS OF DEVELOPING
20 CULTURAL CURRICULUM THAT WILL ENABLE STUDENTS TO BECOME
21 PROFICIENT IN ACADEMICS. AND THIS NOT ONLY APPLIES-- YOU KNOW,
22 THIS IS USING A PHILOSOPHY OF INDIGENOUS VALUES. NOT UNLIKE
23 THE VALUES-- IT'S VERY SIMILAR. THE WESTERN TYPE OF PHILOSOPHY
24 THAT BASICALLY OVERWHELMS THE REGULAR SCHOOL DISTRICTS HAS
25 BEEN IMPLEMENTED SINCE DAY ONE ON THIS CONTINENT. SO THIS IS A



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1 VERY VALUABLE CURRICULUM THAT IS BEING OFFERED. I WAS
2 ASTOUNDED TO FIND OUT JUST YESTERDAY, WHEN WE MET WITH THE
3 SUPERINTENDENT AT L.A.C.O.E., THE AWESOME CREDIBILITY OF THIS
4 SCHOOL WITH RESPECT TO SPECIAL EDUCATION. THEY DO NOT TURN ONE
5 SPECIAL ED STUDENT AWAY. YOU KNOW, AND I CAN'T THINK OF A
6 BETTER WAY TO DEVELOP CRITICAL THINKERS, COMPASSIONATE,
7 TOLERANT COMMUNITY OF STUDENTS. AND THEY'RE NOT ALL
8 INDIGENOUS. EVERYONE IS WELCOME THERE. I WANT TO ASK YOU
9 BEFORE MY TIME IS UP: DESPITE REGARDLESS OF THE OUTCOME TODAY
10 OF THE DECISION, WE'RE ASKING L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
11 TO REVIEW THE MANNER IN WHICH L.A.C.O.E. AND L.A. UNIFIED
12 SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS INTERACTED WITH OUR COMMUNITY, TO REVIEW,
13 TO RESPOND TO IT, TO REPRIMAND THOSE THAT HAVE BEEN
14 DISCRIMINATORY IN THEIR COMMENTS REGARDING OUR LEGAL STATUS,
15 OF ADMINISTRATORS OF THIS SCHOOL, AND TO REMOVE THOSE THAT ARE
16 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SYSTEMATIC INSTITUTIONALIZED
17 DISCRIMINATION AGAINST OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR CULTURAL
18 RELEVANCE WITHIN THIS NATION THAT WE ARE SO PROUD TO BE A PART
19 OF. THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
22 TESTIMONY. WE'RE GOING TO TAKE THE NEXT SPEAKERS, PLEASE.

23
24 **SUP. MOLINA:** IF I COULD JUST FOR A SECOND?
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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA, PLEASE.

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3 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHILE WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT
4 THE DECISION L.A.C.O.E. WILL BE MAKING, I DO THINK THAT IF
5 THERE ARE DISPARAGING REMARKS AND RACIST REMARKS THAT WERE
6 MADE BY ANY OF OUR L.A.C.O.E. BOARD MEMBERS OR ANY OF
7 ADMINISTRATION, THAT AT LEAST THE SCHOOL IS ENTITLED TO A
8 LETTER OF APOLOGY. THEY ARE OUR APPOINTEES AND WE ARE
9 RESPONSIBLE FOR THEM. AND SO I THINK WE SHOULD TAKE SOME
10 ACTION IN THAT REGARD. I DON'T KNOW THAT WE CAN AFFECT OR
11 INFLUENCE THEIR DECISIONS. THEY'RE INDEPENDENT BOARD MEMBERS
12 THAT ARE APPOINTED ON THERE. BUT IF THEY HAVE MADE REMARKS
13 THAT ARE DISPARAGING OR DISCRIMINATORY, I THINK WE AS A BOARD
14 OF SUPERVISORS OWE THE SCHOOL AN APOLOGY AS WELL AS THE
15 PARENTS.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. AND I THINK WE'LL
18 PROCEED ACCORDINGLY IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT A DECISION HAS
19 NOT YET BEEN MADE. I SUSPECT THAT WE OUGHT TO WAIT FOR
20 WHATEVER ACTION MAY BE TAKEN AND THEN PROCEED IF THERE'S AN
21 APPROPRIATE APPEAL TO BE PURSUED. ALL RIGHT, WE'RE GOING TO
22 TAKE THE BALANCE OF THE SPEAKERS. WE NOTE JOHN WALSH.

23

24 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG OR
25 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL. 100,000 SUCCESSFUL SERVER REQUESTS. LOTS



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1 OF BLOGS. NOW, LOTS OF ENTRIES. ONE A DAY. WHAT WE'RE
2 INTERESTED HERE TODAY IS THAT WHILE YOU KNOW THAT WE ENDORSE--
3 I MEAN, THE WEEKS WE ENDORSE BEFORE THE ELECTION, WE GET
4 30,000, 40,000 PEOPLE A WEEK COMING TO OUR WEBSITE BEFORE
5 ELECTIONS. WE ARE LOOKING FAVORABLY ON MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S
6 SON FOR ASSEMBLY FOR A SPECIFIC REASON AND THAT IS DIVERSITY,
7 AND I DON'T MEAN RACIAL DIVERSITY. I MEAN AGE DIVERSITY. IF
8 YOUR SON IS ELECTED, I THINK HE'S GOING TO BE THE ONLY PERSON
9 OUT OF THE 120 UNDER THE AGE OF 35? WE NEED SOME YOUNGER
10 PEOPLE IN THERE, AND THAT'S WHY WE ARE BACKING MARK RIDLEY-
11 THOMAS'S SON. NOW, WE WANT TO TELL YOU ABOUT SOME RACISM AT
12 THE WEST HOLLYWOOD LIBRARY. I WANT EVERY MINORITY IN THIS
13 COUNTY TO KNOW THAT YOU ARE NOT WELCOME IN WEST HOLLYWOOD. IF
14 YOUR SKIN IS NOT WHITE. EVERY OTHER LIBRARY, I'M TALKING
15 NICELY ABOUT THE CITY NOW, IF YOU GO TO ANY LIBRARY, YOU CAN
16 IMMEDIATELY GO ON FREE WIFI, IMMEDIATELY. NOT AT THE WEST
17 HOLLYWOOD LIBRARY. YOU HAVE TO BE A MEMBER. YOU HAVE TO SHOW
18 I.D. YOU HAVE TO SIGN UP. YOU HAVE TO COME BACK. WHY DO THEY
19 DO THIS AT THE WEST HOLLYWOOD LIBRARY? TO KEEP PEOPLE WITH
20 SKIN LIKE YOURS OUT OF THE LIBRARY, MISS MOLINA, TO KEEP
21 PEOPLE WITH SKIN LIKE YOURS-- NOW, SEE, WHY DO I SAY THIS?
22 WELL, YOU KNOW, IN A PREVIOUS LIFE, I WAS AFRICAN-AMERICAN.
23 THIS LIFE IS A DEMOTION. I WASN'T GOOD ENOUGH DURING THE FIRST
24 LIFE TO KEEP THE BLACK SKIN. ANYWAY, AND ALSO I KNOW IT'S NOT
25 YOUR FAULT, BUT WE HAD ANOTHER MAJOR DERAILMENT ON ANGELS



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1 FLIGHT. NOW, YOU KNOW THE ANGELS FLIGHT IS THE ONLY
2 TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM ON EARTH THAT KILLED, DISMEMBERED A
3 HOLOCAUST VICTIM, LEON PRAYPORT. THIS IS A MAN WHO SURVIVED
4 BELSEN AND AT AGE 83 CAME TO L.A., DOWNTOWN L.A. AND DIDN'T
5 SURVIVE IT BECAUSE HE WAS CRUSHED TO DEATH ON ANGELS FLIGHT.
6 AND THEY HAD ANOTHER DERAILMENT THE OTHER DAY, AND THEY DON'T
7 GIVE A DAMN BECAUSE OF THE WELLBOURNES, JOHN AND MARTHA. I
8 MEAN, THE MAYOR WEARS LEWINSKY KNEE PADS WHEN HE GOES IN FRONT
9 OF THOSE PEOPLE. [LAUGHTER.] NOW, AUTUMN BURKE, ANYBODY BUT
10 AUTUMN BURKE FOR THE ASSEMBLY. COME TO OUR WEBSITE, PUT IN
11 JWALSH CONFIDENTIAL, AUTUMN BURKE ASSEMBLY. THIS IS YVONNE'S
12 LITTLE DAUGHTER WHO'S TRYING TO STEAL AN ASSEMBLY SEAT.
13 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. GO THERE IMMEDIATELY. THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL TAKE THE NEXT
16 SPEAKER. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE'RE ABOUT TO CONCLUDE PUBLIC
17 COMMENT AT THIS POINT. MA'AM? THE FLOOR IS YOURS. YES.

18

19 **ETHEL JOHNSON:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD. THIS IS KIND OF--

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** PARDON ME JUST FOR A SECOND.
22 VITA, PLEASE COME FORWARD. I'M SORRY.

23

24 **ETHEL JOHNSON:** I'VE BEEN DOING MOVIES.

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ARE WE GOING TO PUSH
2 THROUGH RATHER QUICKLY, MISS JOHNSON, SO PLEASE PROCEED.

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4 **ETHEL JOHNSON:** TO THE BOARD, TO EACH ONE OF YOU AND GIZORSKI
5 [YAROSLAVSKY], I SEE HE'S-- I'VE BEEN COMING TO THE BOARD FOR
6 THE LONGEST. AND I THINK THAT AS I SAID BEFORE, ALL OF US
7 SHOULD WORK TOGETHER, WHATEVER COLOR YOU ARE, WHATEVER. I'VE
8 BEEN WORKING WITH LEE BACA AS FAR AS THE COUNTY CORRECTIONAL
9 DEPARTMENT. I HELPED RAISE MOST OF THE CHILDREN DOWN THERE IN
10 COMPTON TERRITORY WHICH IS RIDLEY-THOMAS'S SECOND DISTRICT AND
11 MARTIN LUTHER KING, RAISED IN THAT AREA. I'VE BEEN OFFERED 7
12 POINT TO 8 POINT MILLION DOLLARS FOR THAT AREA THERE. AND SO I
13 CAME TO THE BOARD TODAY TO SEE THAT I WORK FOR ALL FIVE
14 DISTRICTS. AND I DO NEED AN ATTORNEY TO TELL ME EXACTLY WHAT
15 TO DO. I DO HAVE PROPERTY, BUT I NEVER HAVE BOTHERED IT. MY
16 FATHER WAS KILLED, MY MOTHER, AND SO I NEVER DID BOTHER WITH
17 IT.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MISS JOHNSON, SOME OF
20 THE MATTERS THAT YOU ARE RAISING MAY BE SOMEWHAT CONFIDENTIAL,
21 SO LET ME THEN MAKE THIS RECOMMENDATION TO YOU IF YOU WILL
22 ACCEPT IT. I'LL HAVE SOMEONE MEET YOU THERE AND TALK ABOUT THE
23 LEGAL AS WELL AS OTHER ISSUES THAT ARE PERTAINING TO YOUR
24 CONCERN RATHER THAN THEM BEING COMMUNICATED PUBLICLY AT THIS
25 POINT.



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2 **ETHEL JOHNSON:** I UNDERSTAND. BUT I WANT TO-- AS I TOLD
3 GZORSKI, I DO WANT TO RETIRE. I'VE BEEN 40 SOME YEARS WITH THE
4 COUNTY AND CITY.

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YES, I DO NOT WISH FOR YOU TO
7 DISCLOSE ANYTHING THAT IS CONFIDENTIAL IN A PUBLIC SETTING, SO
8 I'M GOING TO ASK MISS AUSTRIAN IF SHE WOULD MEET YOU THERE,
9 AND THAT WAY SOME OF THE QUESTIONS YOU MAY WANT TO GET ANSWERS
10 TO CAN BE SATISFACTORY.

11

12 **ETHEL JOHNSON:** I CERTAINLY HOPE SO. I CERTAINLY HOPE SO.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MISS
15 JOHNSON. ALL RIGHT. MISS WARD, IF YOU WOULD TAKE THE
16 OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD? AND WE'RE GOING TO TRY TO CONCLUDE AS
17 QUICKLY AS WE CAN.

18

19 **SHELIAH WARD:** GREETINGS IN THE SPIRIT OF THE MOST HIGH. IN THE
20 BEGINNING IS THE ALMIGHTY GOD, THE STAR OF DAVID ON EARTH AS
21 IT IS IN HEAVEN. FROM THAT STAR, MALE AND FEMALE PRINCIPLE
22 CAME SOLOMON'S TEMPLE THAT OUTNUMBERS THE SANDS OF THE SEA
23 SHORE THAT WAS NOT CREATED BY HANDS OR TOOLS. AND I BROUGHT
24 THIS UP BECAUSE OF WHAT THIS YOUNG MAN SAID THAT HE'S NOT
25 BLACK. FROM BLACK CAME ALL THINGS. LIKE MICHAEL JACKSON. HE



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1 WANTED TO BE WHITE. THEY TOOK OUT THE MELANIN. HE BECAME
2 WHITE. HE COULDN'T SLEEP ANYMORE. SO THE REST OF HIS LIFE HE
3 DIDN'T UNDERSTAND UNTIL HE DIED WHY HE COULD NEVER GO TO
4 SLEEP. IF YOU SEE LIGHT, CAN YOU SEE DARKNESS? WHEN THERE'S
5 LIGHT, NO. THAT WAS HIS PROBLEM. NOW, THE REASON I'M HERE IS
6 BECAUSE I'M DISARRAYED IN WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE SHERIFF'S
7 DEPARTMENT ARRESTING CHILDREN ON PICO STATION, THE FIRST
8 FRIDAY OF AUGUST LAST MONTH, I WITNESSED TWO LITTLE CHILDREN
9 GET ARRESTED BY THE POLICE, SCREAMING AND KICKING AND
10 HOLLERING LIKE THEY GOT-- THEY WEREN'T MINE BUT I FEEL SORRY
11 FOR THEIR PARENTS BECAUSE THE LITTLE KID WAS RUNNING TRYING TO
12 GET THE TRAIN PRIOR TO TAPPING. SO HE HAD BE INSULTED FOR A
13 DOLLAR AND 50 CENTS AND I FIND IT APPALLING THAT AN OFFICER
14 HAS TO BE PAID HOW MUCH MONEY? WHY THIS KID COULDN'T DRIVE,
15 FIRE THE OFFICER AND LET THE KID RIDE FREE TO HAVE A RIGHT TO
16 TRAVEL. THE CHILDREN THAT I WENT-- TALKED TO YOU ABOUT THAT
17 WERE INCARCERATED, THE LITTLE WHITE KID THAT WROTE, DID AN ART
18 PIECE AND SAID THAT IT'S NOT ART, THAT IT'S PROPHECY. HE'S
19 STILL ARRESTED, HIM AND HIS SISTER. AND THE SISTER WAS GIVEN A
20 RAZOR AND SHE CUT HER HAIR. IT'S UNBELIEVABLE. THEY LOOK WHITE
21 BUT THEIR MOTHER IS BLACK. THEN YOU HAVE PEOPLE IN LAMIERT
22 PARK THAT STARTED FROM MY MOTHER'S BACKYARD AND NOW ALL THESE
23 RENEGADES, REVOLUTIONARIES OR WHATEVER THEY WANT TO CALL
24 THEMSELVES ARE ORGANIZING AGAINST WHAT GOD GAVE ME IN MY HEART
25 TO HAVE HOPE, NOT TO SPEAK HOPE BUT TO HAVE HOPE FOR MY



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1 PEOPLE. AND FOR THIS REASON, THE WORLD HASN'T BURNED DOWN. AND
2 NOW YOU'RE USHERING IN, AFTER WE PUT IN ALL THESE BLACK
3 POLITICIANS, NOW YOU'RE USHERING IN OTHER NATIONALITIES TO
4 COME INTO THE HOOD TO BUY THE PROPERTY TO PROMOTE IT AS THEIR
5 ETHNICITY. WE ARE NOT IN CHINATOWN TRYING TO BUY LAND. WE'RE
6 NOT IN ELVIRA STREET WITH THE MEXICANS TRYING TO BUY THEIR
7 LAND. WE'RE NOT BUYING LAND FROM THE JEWS. WE'VE BEEN INVADED
8 UPON. AND WE'RE ALSO APPALLED WITH A THIRD OF THE SOLOMON'S
9 TEMPLE LEFT AND CAME TO THE EARTH BECAUSE LUCIFER TOLD THEM
10 THAT GOD GAVE MAN AND ANIMALS SOMETHING HE DIDN'T GIVE US.
11 THEY SAID, "WHAT?" HE SAID, "ORGASMS." THEY SAID, "WHAT IS
12 THAT?" HE SAID "FOLLOW ME." AND FOR THAT REASON WE HAVE PEOPLE
13 HERE TODAY THAT WANT TO BE MEN AND A MAN, LICKING ON THE NEXT
14 MAN AND A WOMAN AND A WOMAN LICKING ON EACH OTHER AND NOW
15 YOU'RE GOING TO USHER IN SODOM AND GOMORRAH IN MY LAND, IN
16 THIS LAND? THE DEVIL IS A LIAR? IF YOU WANT TO BE SODOM AND
17 GOMORRAH, GO BACK TO WHEREVER YOU PEOPLE COME FROM AND
18 PRACTICE THAT CRAP OVER THERE. DON'T BRING THAT OVER HERE. I
19 DON'T WANT TO COME BACK IN THIS LIFE, IN MY NEXT LIFE AND I'M
20 IN A BATHROOM WITH A WOMAN AND I GOT TO GO, IF I WANT TO BE A
21 MAN I HAVE TO SAY I'M LESBIAN SO I CAN WALK IN A MAN'S
22 BATHROOM AND SEE WHAT A MAN'S GENITALS LOOK LIKE.

23

24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANKS FOR YOUR TESTIMONY.

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1 **SHELIA WARD:** CHECK THIS OUT.

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3 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE GOT YOU. THANK
4 YOU. SIR, YOU'RE OUT OF ORDER. THANK YOU. MA'AM, YOU HAVE AN
5 OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD AND YOU'RE THE FINAL SPEAKER. WE THANK
6 GOD.

7

8 **VITA GASHGAI:** HELLO, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. HOW ARE YOU
9 TODAY? MY NAME IS VITA GASHGAI, I'M A L.A.U.S.D. TEACHER,
10 HOWEVER I MOVED MY FAMILY FROM ORANGE COUNTY TO LOS ANGELES SO
11 THAT THEY COULD ATTEND ACADEMIA _____ DE PUEBLO, WHICH HAS
12 NOW CREATED _____ CALMECA WHICH IS A HIGH SCHOOL. AT THAT
13 SCHOOL MY TWO CHILDREN HAVE BEEN RECEIVING AN INTERNATIONAL
14 BACCALAUREATE IN EDUCATION WHICH THE I.B. LEARNER PROFILE IS
15 TO BE CARING, TO BE AN ENQUIRER, TO BE PRINCIPLED, TO BE A
16 COMMUNICATOR, TO BE KNOWLEDGEABLE, AND TO BE A RISK TAKER.
17 _____ OFFERS MORE THAN, IT OFFERS MORE THAN-- I KNOW ALL OUR
18 SCHOOLS ARE TRYING VERY HARD AS A TEACHER, BUT IT DOES OFFER
19 THE I.B. PROGRAM. IT OFFERS MULTIPLE LANGUAGES. MY CHILDREN
20 HAVE LEARNED IN SPANISH. THEY'VE BEEN TAUGHT MANDARIN. THEY'VE
21 BEEN LEARNING A NATIVE LANGUAGE OF THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE,
22 WHICH HAS NOT EVER EXISTED IN MAYBE OVER 522 YEARS. MY
23 CHILDREN ARE HAPPY THERE. THE WHOLE CHILD IS BEING DEVELOPED
24 AT THAT SCHOOL. ALSO, TO GET BACK TO THE POINT ABOUT SOME OF
25 THE BOARD MEMBERS ON L.A. COUNTY-- L.A.C.O.E.'S BOARD, ONE OF



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1 THE DIRECTOR OF CHARTER SCHOOLS, DURING THE MEETING THAT-- IT
2 WAS A MEETING WITH ADMINISTRATORS OF OUR SCHOOL, SHE TOLD,
3 EVEN THOUGH THEY HAD JUST GOTTEN ACCOLADES FROM THE CHARTER
4 BOARD, THE PERSON IN CHARGE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION, HE WAS
5 SAYING THAT THE SCHOOL WAS DOING A GREAT JOB WITH THE SPECIAL
6 EDUCATION STUDENTS, SHE DECIDED-- THE PERSON WHO IS IN CHARGE
7 OF THE ENTIRE BOARD, SHE TOLD HER SUBORDINATES AT L.A.C.O.E.,
8 "NOW, REMEMBER, THEIR SCORES, THEY'RE GOING TO LOWER OUR
9 SCORES." IN THE MIDDLE OF THE MEETING, SHE TOLD ALL HER
10 SUBORDINATES TO NOT VOTE, TO REMEMBER THAT IF THEY WERE TO
11 ACCEPT _____, THAT IT IS GOING TO LOWER THE TEST SCORES. SHE
12 SAID IF THEY WERE AN 800 SCHOOL, OF COURSE THEY WOULD ACCEPT
13 _____, BUT BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT AN 800 SCHOOL, SHE WANTED TO
14 REMIND HER ENTIRE L.A.C.O.E. BOARD THAT THEY WOULD LOWER
15 L.A.C.O.E.'S SCORES. THEY ALSO, IN THE BEGINNING OF ONE OF THE
16 MEETINGS, WELL THE HEARING THAT WE HAD, BOARD MEMBER BOYD, HE
17 TOLD OUR DIRECTOR IF HE HAD PAPERS, IF HE WAS A CITIZEN, IF HE
18 WAS LEGAL IN OUR COUNTRY. SO THOSE ARE SOME OF THE ASPECTS
19 THAT WE'D LIKE TO ASK YOU TO LOOK AT. AND I APPRECIATE YOUR
20 TIME.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
23 TESTIMONY. IT IS NOTED THE CONCERN THAT HAS BEEN RAISED, AND
24 SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAS PLEDGED TO PURSUE IT ACCORDINGLY. THAT
25 CLOSES THE PUBLIC HEARING FOR TODAY. MAY I SIMPLY READ IN THE



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1 FOLLOWING MOTION ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MYSELF.
2 "GIVEN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A.B.109 IN OCTOBER OF 2011, WHICH
3 CAUSED THE SHIFTING OF PRISON PAROLEE OVERSIGHT AND THE
4 INCARCERATION OF THOSE CONVICTED, WHOSE LAST OFFENSE WAS
5 CONSIDERED NONVIOLENT, NON-SERIOUS, NONSEXUAL FROM THE STATE
6 OF CALIFORNIA TO LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT, THE COUNTY OF LOS
7 ANGELES HAS A VESTED INTEREST IN ENSURING THAT THE PRISON
8 PIPELINE IS TRUNCATED. TO THIS END, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
9 SUPPORTS THE COMPROMISE REACHED BY GOVERNOR BROWN AND THE FOUR
10 LEGISLATIVE LEADERS TO REDUCE THE STATE'S PRISON POPULATION.
11 THE COMPROMISE, QUITE APPROPRIATELY, RECOGNIZES THE DIRECT
12 CORRELATION BETWEEN ROBUST REHABILITATION PROGRAMS AND A
13 DECREASE IN RECIDIVISM. THE COMPROMISE ALLOCATES MORE FISCAL
14 RESOURCES AND SUPPORT OF DRUG, MENTAL HEALTH AND OTHER
15 REHABILITATION PROGRAMS RATHER THAN SPEND \$315 MILLION TO
16 LEASE CELLS IN PRIVATE PRISONS AND AVAILABLE COUNTY JAILS. THE
17 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES HAS BENEFITED BY SHIFTING TO
18 REHABILITATE RATHER THAN SEND SCARCE PUBLIC DOLLARS TO PRIVATE
19 PRISONS AS A SOLUTION TO REDUCE THE STATE'S PRISON POPULATION.
20 THE FINAL DECISION, HOWEVER, ON WHETHER THE STATE CAN MOVE
21 FORWARD WITH THE COMPROMISE RESTS WITH A FEDERAL THREE-JUDGE
22 PANEL WHO IS OVERSEEING THE COURT ORDER TO REDUCE THE STATE
23 PRISON POPULATION BY APPROXIMATELY 9,000 INMATES BY DECEMBER
24 31 OF THIS YEAR. ANY SOLUTIONS COMING FORWARD MUST INCLUDE
25 WAYS OF ADDRESSING THE CHALLENGES THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IS



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1 ALREADY EXPERIENCING AND ENSURE ADEQUATE FUNDING BEFORE THE
2 COUNTY TAKES ON FURTHER RESPONSIBILITIES. WE THEREFORE MOVE
3 THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORT THE GOVERNOR AND THE
4 FOUR LEGISLATIVE LEADERS, THE COMPROMISED PLAN AND THAT COUNTY
5 COUNSEL FILE AN APPROPRIATE SET OF BRIEFS IN FEDERAL COURT
6 THAT ARTICULATES THE COUNTY SUPPORT OF THE COMPROMISE." WE
7 SUBMIT THAT AGAIN ON BEHALF OF SUPERVISOR KNABE AND MYSELF FOR
8 CONSIDERATION AT OUR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING. ALL
9 RIGHT. MADAME EXECUTIVE OFFICER?

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11 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** THANK YOU. WE'LL NOW GO INTO
12 CLOSED SESSION. AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
13 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
14 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO. CS-1-- EXCUSE
15 ME, CS-3, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS. ITEM NO.
16 CS-4, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT--

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18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** PARDON ME FOR A SECOND, MISS
19 HAMAI. SUPERVISOR MOLINA?

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21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M READING THIS IN. I HAVE ONE MORE ADJOURNMENT
22 THAT JUST CAME IN THE I COULD.

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24 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** YES, PLEASE.

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1 **SUP. MOLINA:** I WOULD ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN ME IN THE
2 MEMORY OF GILBERT CEDILLO, SR., THE BELOVED FATHER OF LOS
3 ANGELES COUNCILMAN, GIL CEDILLO. THE SENIOR MR. CEDILLO WAS A
4 LOVING AND OF COURSE DEVOTED FATHER AND WAS ALSO A PROUD
5 KOREAN WAR VETERAN. HE SERVED AS A PARATROOPER DURING HIS
6 MILITARY SERVICE. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR CONDOLENCES TO
7 COUNCILMAN CEDILLO AND HIS ENTIRE FAMILY.

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9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS, CHAIRMAN:** WE ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS BE
10 REFLECTED ON THAT ADJOURNING MOTION, AND THANK YOU FOR
11 BRINGING IT TO OUR ATTENTION, SUPERVISOR MOLINA. MADAME
12 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, PLEASE?

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14 **SACHI HAMAI, EXEC. OFFICER:** SO WE ARE GOING INTO CLOSED
15 SESSION. I'VE ALREADY READ IN CS-3. CS-4 IS PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT
16 CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF INSPECTOR
17 GENERAL FOR OVERSIGHT AND MONITORING OF THE SHERIFF'S
18 DEPARTMENT. AND ITEM NO. CS-6, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL
19 REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON
20 THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDAS. THANK YOU.

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5 In open session, items CS-1 and CS-2 and CS-5 were continued
6 one week to September 17, 2013.

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8 No reportable action was taken on items CS-3, CS-4 or CS-6.

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